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FOREWORD

The events of the year 1762, covered by Series 21648 of the PAPERS OF COLONEL HENRY BOUQUET, gave little indication of the Indian war which was to sweep away the entire system of defensive posts in the following year. The letters to Bouquet from his subordinates in the small forts scattered throughout the trans-Allegheny wilderness were concerned mainly with problems of supply and management. Often, the forts and their buildings required repair; as when the entrenchments at Fort Presque Isle were undermined by a spring thaw. Disease and privation made serious difficulties in the garrisons. But in none of the letters was there any sense of urgency, in so far as danger from the Indians was concerned. The officers worried about food and supplies, about keeping a healthy garrison, about getting transferred from monotonous duty in the Indian country, but not about the Indians themselves.

As in the previous year, the letters to Bouquet dealt largely with routine matters, and are of interest chiefly because they show how officers and garrisons functioned in time of peace. He received news of affairs on his plantation, news of British victories in other parts of the world where the war was still raging, and news of his own naturalization by the Assembly of Maryland. During much of the spring and summer he was at Fort Pitt, supervising the smaller forts from that point. When not there, he was at some point on the long communication between Philadelphia and the forks of the Ohio River.

He had the unpleasant task of reducing the number of officers and men in the various posts, for the British authorities and the commander-in-chief, Sir Jeffery Amherst, believed that the wilderness posts could be safely held by much smaller forces. Many of the letters were in regard to this reduction. No one supposed that the Indians could be dangerous, without the support and backing of the French. The few hints about their hostility and dissatisfaction that were picked up were not taken seriously. The forts were stripped of their defenders on the very eve of the outbreak.

A few letters depicting life in Forts Presque Isle, Le Boeuf and Venango have been taken from this series to form the chapter, "The Year before the Storm," in Wilderness Chronicles of Northwestern Pennsylvania (Harrisburg, 1941). Many letters, not included there for reasons of space, will be found in this series, to add detail and color for the study of this crucial period, when lack of foresight was preparing the way for calamity.

Series 21648 is made up almost entirely of Bouquet's incoming correspondence, letters from officers and friends during

1762. There are, however, a few scattered drafts of letters from Bouquet himself which became part of this series in some way. Because of its length, this series has been divided into two volumes, Parts I and II, of which this is Part II. This volume contains letters and papers dated after the end of June, 1762.

The manuscript collection of the Bouquet Correspondence forms thirty series of the British Museum's Additional Manuscripts classification. After Bouquet's death, his papers came into the possession of Frederick Haldimand, his friend and executor, and were given by Haldimand's heirs to the British Museum, together with Haldimand's own papers. For this reason the Bouquet Papers are sometimes listed as part of the Haldimand Collection.

The relation between the various series of the PAPERS OF COLONEL HENRY BOUQUET is shown by their contents. Series 21631 and Series 21632 contain Bouquet's letter books for the years 1757 and 1758, covering the period of his service in South Carolina. His military accounts for South Carolina are in Series 21633. Series 21634 is his correspondence with Sir Jeffery Amherst, and Series 21635 is made up of governmental instructions to Amherst. Bouquet's correspondence with General Thomas Gage is in Series 21636 and 21637. Series 21638 is composed of correspondence with Generals Stanwix, Gage, Monckton, and others, 1759-1765. Series 21639 is his correspondence with Sir John St. Clair and Captain James Sinclair, 1758-1763; and Series 21640 consists of correspondence with the Earl of Loudoun and Brigadier General John Forbes. Bouquet's letters to and from Colonel George Washington in 1758 form Series 21641. The correspondence of Captain Lewis Durry is in Series 21642.

In Series 21643 to 21651 are letters to Colonel Bouquet from various persons, his general incoming correspondence from 1755 to 1765. His general outgoing correspondence is in Series 21652 and 21653. There are miscellaneous accounts and returns in Series 21654, and papers relating to Indian affairs in Series 21655. Series 21656 has public orders issued by Amherst and Bouquet, and Series 21657 has general and regimental orders. Series 21658 is made up of miscellaneous papers; Series 21659 is the cash book for the South Carolina campaign; and Series 21660 is an inventory of Bouquet's belongings made after his death.

Photostatic reproductions of the Bouquet Papers, borrowed from the Library of Congress, were carefully copied, and checked. The handwritten copy was typed, and the typed copy rechecked against the original. Finally, before any mimeographing was done, the handwritten copy and the typed copy were carefully compared, and

any variation or doubtful reading rechecked against the original photostats. It is hoped that this repeated checking will have reduced the number of errors to a minimum.

Great care has been taken to make a faithful reproduction of the original, bearing in mind the limitations of typewritten copies of manuscript material. For example, it is not possible to show, in typed versions of drafts for letters, all the insertions between the lines and in the margins; they must be rearranged and organized into uniform lines. However, when words have been crossed out or changed in the original, a line is drawn through these words in the typed version; it is thus possible to see both the original and the revised version of the letters. Occasionally, the omission of a paragraph is indicated by one or two diagonal lines, as it was on the original.

The capitalization, spelling, grammar, and punctuation are the same as in the original, so far as is humanly possible. When illegible or almost illegible words could be determined with some degree of certainty, they are included in brackets. When there was some doubt, a question mark follows. When a word or words must be entirely omitted because of illegibility, this is shown by a line of dots in brackets, or by an explanation in brackets. No attempt has been made to indicate misspelled words or grammatical errors by the use of sic; they are too numerous. When there was doubt whether a punctuation mark was actually a comma or period, colon or semicolon, dash or period, the most likely one was chosen.

The description of the letters as autograph letters, drafts, etc., is intended more as a tentative suggestion than as a final determination of their character. Exhaustive research and a study of the handwriting would undoubtedly result in some changes. In all cases, they are the obvious descriptions, made conservatively.

The names of senders or recipients of letters have been bracketed in the headings when there was any doubt as to their identification. Dates missing in the headings of letters have been supplied in brackets, when they could be determined. The dates in parentheses at the top of the pages are intended as a help in using the volume.

The index is intended to cover only the proper names, the references to persons and places. References to Bouquet are indexed only when they appear in the body of a letter. The table of contents makes it possible to locate the page number of a letter by title, date, or folio number. The chronological arrangement is that followed in the original series.

This, like the preceding volumes, is a product of a Work Projects Administration project sponsored by the Pennsylvania Historical Commission. The Frontier Forts and Trails Survey, the Erie project which began the work on the Bouquet material, has merged with the Historical Records Survey to form the Pennsylvania Historical Survey. This statewide project is under the efficient direction of J. Knox Milligan, State Supervisor, while Leo A. Madlehner as Assistant State Supervisor is immediately in charge of the transcription work. The cooperation of Mr. Guy C. Cleaver, District Manager, and Mrs. Milla M. Smart, District Director of the Service Division, in administering this work in the northwestern Pennsylvania area, is cordially acknowledged.

As for the Historical Commission's share in this undertaking, general technical supervision of all research work is under the State Historian, Sylvester K. Stevens, and his has been the final word of authority on all matters connected with research and publication. In this supervision he is aided by Donald H. Kent, Associate State Historian, whose earlier experience as project historian brought him into close contact with this work.

On the project, Mrs. Autumn Leonard has been immediately responsible for the checking and preparation of this volume. To her and to the other project workers who assisted in executing this task, our thanks are due for their careful and painstaking work.

ROSS PIER WRIGHT
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TABLE OF ABBREVIATIONS

Add. MSS.	Additional Manuscripts.
A. C.	Autograph Copy.
A. C. S.	Autograph Copy Signed.
A. D.	Autograph Document.
A. D. S.	Autograph Document Signed.
A. Df.	Autograph Draft.
A. Df. S.	Autograph Draft Signed.
A. L. S.	Autograph Letter Signed.
A. N.	Autograph Note.
A. N. S.	Autograph Note Signed.
B. M.	British Museum.
C.	Copy.
C. S.	Copy Signed.
D.	Document.
D. S.	Document Signed.
Df.	Draft.
Df. S.	Draft Signed.
f.	folio.
L. S.	Letter Signed.
N.	Note.
N. S.	Note Signed.
P. A. C.	Public Archives of Canada.
trans.	transcript.

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(July 3, 1762)

CAPT. DONALD CAMPBELL TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 243, A. L. S.]

Detroit 3d July 1762

Sir

I had the honor to Receive your Letters of the 19th April, and 25th May only a few days agoe. I wrote you lately by Mr Walsh the Trader and sent a Return for the 24th June Mentioning the Arrival of a Serjeant and fifteen Men from Niagara, to Reinforce this Garrison.

I still labour under the same Difficulty with Regard to Provisions the Batteaus are returned a second time, but that will not doe without the assistance of the vessels; The General trusts ~~for~~ to the Vessels ~~for~~ supplying the Posts, in good time, but by the last accounts from that I have from Niagara, I am affraid there is but litle dependance to be made upon them. Soe I am oblidged to prepare for the worst, I shall soon know it, this is the best Season to Navigate the Lakes; and Indeed after this month the navigation is very precarious.

The General says the Crown is to be noe longer at the Expence of maintaining the Indians that they may very well live by their hunting and desire to keep them Scarc of Powder, I should be glad to know what you doe in that Respect I am certain if the Indians in this Country had the least hint that we intended to prevent them frome the use of Ammunition, it would be impossible to keep them Quiet, I dare not trust even the Interpreters with the Secret. The Indians are a good deal elevated on the news of a Spanish War, and dayly Reports Spread amongst them, that the french and Spaniards are soon to retake Quebec &c this goes from one Nation to another, and it is impossible to prevent it. I assure you they only want a good Opportunity; to fall upon us if they had any encouragement from an Enemy.

I had yesterday Letters from Lieut Lesslye and Ensign Gorrill, the Latter says his Garrison has been very Sickly during the Winter, but mentions Noe body having died.

These gentlemen at the Posts are absolutely oblidged to give Some trifles to the Indians, soe that I shall still have large accompts to Setle.

(July 3, 1762)

I shall Send the form of the Return to the different Posts, as opportunitys offers, and shall transmitt the whole to you as soon as possible. I find all those recruited in Germany are entitled to their discharge;

I Shall Send Ens Gorrils Commission by the Batteaus that goes to Michilunakinac I am glad the Promotion goes in the Regiment;

I Shall releive Serjeant Steymer and send him to you how soon I can Send a Corporal to relieve him, at present they are employed on different Services, ~~bringing~~ transporting Provisions to the Posts.

You mention that there is no hopes of our Regiment, goeing on Service this year. I agree with you, sincerely, that it would be much better for us to be relieved from this State of Inactivity. for my own Part I am heartily tired of the Detroit, tho the best Frontier Garrison, I begin to know the People too well, I do not think they improve on a long acquaintance.

I am much oblidged to you for your Constant Attention in Sending me the news. The General Communicated to me the important Conquest of Martinico, and the Spanish Declaration of War,

Mr Lesslye has already sent me some Martines he says he expects more fine Peltry when the Canoes from lake Superiour Come in, I hope we shall be able to send you what you wanted, ~~soon~~ I expect Sir Robert Davers soon he is already returned from Lake Superiour to Michill:

I am with great Respect and Esteem
Sir
your most obedient humble Servant

DONALD CAMPBELL

I hope this will find you returned from your Expedition.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt. Cambell Detroit 3d July Receivd 26th

(July 4, 1762)

MAJOR WILLIAM WALTERS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 245, A. L. S.]

Niagara 4th July 1762

Dear Colonel

I take the first Opportunity to acquaint you that I Received a Letter from Sir Jeffery Amherst [on . . .] Instant which [he] [. . .] for the 45th Regiment with orders to [march] to New York [. . .] at Louisburgh [. . . . .] of Major Wilkins who is to command this post, Major Wilkins is appointed to the 80th in the Room of Major Gladwin who succeeds me in the [60]th Regmt I shall [. . .] power for the good of the Battalion untill now for Wilkins arrives [I] wish you Health & success I beg my Compliments to the [gentle] men with you I am Dear Colonel with great Esteem

Your most obedient Humble Servant

Wm WALTERS

Colonel Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Major Walters 4th July 1762 Received 21st do

(July 5, 1762)

LEWIS CARRAN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21643, f. 247, A. L. S.]

[Falmouth, July 5, 1762.]

Monsieur & très honoré Collonel

L'occasion de Mr Donnellon, qui va en qualité de Capne en Amerique, fait que j'ai lhonneur de vous adresser celle cy, pour vous présenter mes plus humbles Respects, et Soumissions, il-y-a longtems que je desirois de vous les offrir plus tôt, mais Comme ie n'ai point eu le bonheur de trouver des Personnes qui pûsse m'indiquer votre Séjour je nai pas eû Cest honneur là plus tôt; Cest le Docteur Frencklein Avec qui i'ai eû le Plaisir de Souper une fois, qui me dit que vous Etiez à Philadelphie;

Je ne doute point que vous ne Soyez fort Surpris, de Recevoir une Lettre d'une personne qui n'a jamais eu lhonneur de vous faire sa réverence, mais Comme Si jose le dire en quâlité de Parent, je vous prie humblement de me pardonner, Ne désirant autre Chose que d'avoir le bonheur, d'Etre Capable de mériter vos ordres dans tout ce qu'il vous plaira de m'ordonner. Je Crois que vous ne Serez point faché de Savoir le Détail de ma vie, Si vous le Permettez la voici aussi Exacte.

Premiérmt Mon Pére S'est marié à Crassi, avec une Dlle Milliet lan 1741. à eu d'ans deux ans, une fille Et moy dont Elle en Est morte en Couche; au bout de six mois, il Sest remarié à Vevay, avec une Dlle Vautravers: á eu une fille et un Jarçon d'elle, au bout de dix ans du Second Mariage, il est Mort; Comme moy j'ai toujours eû de l'Inclination pour les Armes, Et ayant eû le malheur de perdre Pére, et Mére, ie Suis allé à l'Age de 13 ans Servir le Roy de Sardaigne; ou l'on m'a acheté un Drapeau, au bout de 3 ans de Service ie Suis Parvenu au grade de Lieutenant, mais Comme en Italie, il n'y à plus rien que pour les Bernois, et que je pouvois avoir difficilemt une Compagnie, j'ai quitté ce Service là; dans l'Intention d'aller au Service du Roy de Prusse, J'ay passé par la Suisse, Mais mes Tuteurs et tous mes Parents m'ont beaucoup D'econseillers ce Service là et que ie ferois beaucoup mieux d'Aller en Angletterre, t'acher d'aller aux Indes, que Cetoit le meilleur;

(July 5, 1762)

Je Suis donc venu en Angletterre, j'ay beaucoup fait de Demarches pour Entrer au Service de la Comp.e Cela ma Eté Inutile, Parce que les Anglois ne veul.e plus d'Etrangers, dans leur Service.

Monsieur Vautravers, qui est à Londres qui y à fait un fort bon mariâge, à eû la bonté de S'interresser dans toutes mes affaires.

Comme il est grand Amy du C.te Bothmer ambassadeur de S. M. Danoise auprès de S. M. B.e là prié de vouloir Ecrire au Ministre D'Etat à Coppenhaguen, en ma faveur, Ce Ministre à Repondu que le Roy Etant Malade de la Rougeole, avoit donné la Nomination de tous Ses officiers au Dessous du Grade de Collonel au General S.r Germain, Et qu'il avoit amené une immensité d'officiers Sur Numeraire, avec luy de France.

J'appris à Londres qu'on levoit un Corps d'officiers Capables de former & de discipliner les Troupes Portugaises. je Presentai un Memoire à My lord Loudon, lieut: General des Armées de S. M. Britt.e Ce General me Repondit que Comme ie n'etois pas Anglois qu'il ne pouvoit Rien pour moy.

J'eus Encore Récours à S. E. le C.te de Bothmer, pour qu'il voulût me présenter à M.r le C.te de Mello ambassadeur de S. M. T. F. auprès de S. M. Britt.e Cêt Ambassadeur me Répondit, que je devois me trouver l'après midi à la Cour, et que il me presenteroit là, a M.r le C.te de Mello. Je me Suis Rendu à la Cour, le C.te de Bothmer m'aborda, et me dit que M.r le C.te de Mello, n'etoit pas Encore Arrivé, Sur le mom.t S. A. S. M.gr Charles Prince de Mecklenbourgh, tira à part le C.te de Bothmer, Et S'informa qui jettois, il luy repondit que j'etois un jeune officier qui désiroit prouver mon Mérite à S. M. T. F. Ce Prince m'aborda et me dit que je devois aller le Lendemain Chez luy; Le Lendemain, il me dit que S. M. T. F. le faisoit Lieut General et luy donnoit un Régim.t de Cavallerie.. Et que Si ie voulois le Suivre il ne manqueroit point de me Protéger, J'ay remercié ce Genereux Prince, En luy disant que je ne désirois autre Chose que d'avoir le Bonheur, dEtre Capable, de luy prouver mon Attachem.t et mon Mérite, Et d'avoir l'honneur d'Etre Commandé Sous les yeux dun Si brave General.

Dans Cette Esperance je pars pour le Portugal Je finirai Cette Guerre Contre l'Espagne, qui je Crois ne Durera pas longtems.

(July 5, 1762)

Si josois prier Mon très honnoré Collonel d'agréer mes plus humbles Services, luy presentant mes Respects: Et Soumissions le priant aussi humblem^{t} de vouloir m'honorer de deux Lignes Si ie ne pourrois pas avoir le bonheur d'avoir Place auprès de luy. Et dEtre Commandé Sous Ses ordres. Je Suis Persuadé que je me rendrai digne de vos Bienfaits Et que vous ne Regretterès jamais les Services que vous aurez temoigné à Celuy qui à l'honneur d'Etre toute Sa vie

Monsieur & très honoré Collonel
Le plus humble le plus obeiss^{t}
et le plus devoue Serviteur

CARRAN

Falmouth le 5e Juillet 1762.

demeurera chez monsieur Dubois chez Me^{srs} Purry Negociant de Comp^{e} à Lisbonne

[TRANSLATION]

Falmouth, July 5, 1762.

Sir, and most honorable Colonel:

The opportunity by Mr. Donnellon, who is going to America with the rank of captain, gives me the honor of addressing this letter to you to present my most humble respects and obedience. I wanted to offer them to you long ago, but as I did not have the good fortune of finding any one who could tell me your whereabouts, I have not had this honor sooner. It was Dr. Franklin, with whom I once had the pleasure of dining, who told me that you were in Philadelphia.

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I have no doubt but that you will be greatly surprised to receive a letter from one who has never had the honor of paying you his respects, but since, however, I venture to say it in the capacity of a relative, I humbly beg you to pardon me, desiring nothing else but the pleasure of being capable of fulfilling your orders in anything you please to command me. I believe you will not be bored to know the particulars of my life. If you will permit it, here are the exact details.

First: My father married a Miss Milliet at Crassi, in the year 1741. Within two years, a daughter and myself were born, my mother dying at my birth. In six months' time, my father was married again to a Miss Vautravers, at Vevay. A daughter and a son were born to them. Ten years after the second marriage, my father died. Since I myself have always had an inclination toward the army and having had the misfortune to lose both father and mother, I went, at the age of 13, to serve under the King of Sardinia, where an ensigncy was purchased for me. At the end of 3 years of service, I attained the rank of lieutenant, but since, in Italy, there is no opportunity except for the Bernese, and as it would be difficult for me to get a company, I left the service there, with the intention of serving under the King of Prussia. I passed through Switzerland, but my guardians and all my relatives strongly advised against that service, and that I should do much better by going to England to try to get to the Indies which would be more advantageous. I then went to England; I made many attempts to enter the army, but without success because the English want no more foreigners in their service.

Mr. Vautravers, who is in London where he had made a very good marriage, was good enough to interest himself in all my affairs.

Since he is a great friend of Count Bothmer, ambassador from His Danish Majesty, to His Britannic Majesty, I begged him to be so good as to write to the Minister of State at Copenhagen in my favor. This Minister replied that the King, being ill with the measles, had given over the appointment of all his officers below the rank of colonel to General St. Germain, and that he had brought over a large number of commissioned officers with him from France.

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I learned in London that there was being raised a corps of officers capable of forming and training the Portuguese troops. I presented an application to Lord Loudoun, lieutenant general of His Britannic Majesty's armies. This General replied that, since I was not English, he could do nothing for me.

I still had recourse to His Excellency Count Bothmer, who was willing to present me to Count de Mello, ambassador from His Most Faithful Majesty to His Britannic Majesty. This Ambassador told me that I should appear at court in the afternoon and that he would present me there to Count de Mello. I repaired to court, Count Bothmer approached me and informed me that Count de Mello had not yet arrived. Just then His Serene Highness Lord Charles, Prince of Mecklenburgh, drew Count Bothmer aside and inquired who I was. He answered that I was a young officer who wished to prove my worth to His Most Faithful Majesty. This Prince approached me and told me that I should go to his home the next day. The next day he informed me that His Most Faithful Majesty was making him lieutenant general and was giving him a regiment of cavalry, and that if I wished to follow him he would not fail to protect me. I thanked this generous Prince, telling him that I desired nothing more than to have the happiness of being able to prove my zeal and merit, and to have the honor of serving under the supervision of such a brave General.

In this hope I leave for Portugal. I will finish this war against Spain which I believe will not be of long duration.

If I dare, may I beg my greatly honored Colonel to accept my most humble services, presenting my respects and obedience, humbly begging him also to be so good as to honor me by a couple of lines if I cannot have the pleasure of having a post near him, and of serving under his orders. I am convinced that I will render myself worthy of your kindness and that you will never regret the services that you will have conferred upon one who has the honor to be the rest of his life, Sir, and most honorable Colonel,

the most humble, the most obedient
and the most devoted servant,

CARRAN

Residing with Mr. Dubois and with the Messrs. Purry, merchant of the company at Lisbon.

(July 6, 1762)

CAPT. JOHN SCHLOSSER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 249, A. L. S.]

Niagara July 6th 1762

Dear Colonel!

Major Walters being appointed Major in his former Regiment & Major Gladwin of the 80th in ours, but being as yet absent & I Suppose he will be So for Some time yet, Major Walters gave me yesterday over the Command of the Detachement here, which I dought necessary to acquaint you of, as to the Comand of the Place, Mr Wilken of the 55th who is now appointed Major in the 80th R. has ordres to come here till the arrival of Major Gladwin.

As there are Some New Jersey & New York Provincials here for the Works of the Place, & different men of ours /:who have the most Part Claim to their Discharges:/ have brought aible fellows to be accepted in their Room & consequently be discharged from us & to Stay with the Provincials only till they are recall'd home, I judged it worth while to be proposed to you, for if the General consents the Men to be discharged who have Claim, we Shall have nothing for them, & now we can have a good Man for each, So when you have no objection to it, you may only Send me about 2 dozens blank discharges, & I Shall do the Rest. I have allready the Consent of the Colonel of the Provincials. I join you also in the mean time the List of the Men who Claims their Discharges here in Niagara, the others I hope you will have received conform to your orders.

I am with Respect
Dear Colonel
Your most obedient humble Servant

J: SCHLOSSER:
Capt:

Colonel Bouquet

Verté

I Saw in one of your letters to the Major that you desired him to let Jung Dow go with his father when he passes here, the

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Major I met then to be very willing, but since he is exchang'd he tolld Dow he could not do it, without having another officer in his Steed, he Mr Dow begs the Favour of you, to wreit to the New Commending officer of the Place to let him follow his father, or to find out annother expedient for that Purpose.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt. Shlosser 6th July 1762 Received the 4th Aug answd the 5th

(July 10, 1762)

ALEXANDER LUNAN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 251, A. L. S.]

Philad.a 10. July. 1762.

Dear Sir.

By a letter from our friend Curry, I find I have received some further marks of your Friendship, in the affair with McAlaster, as he tells me, that he wrote by your order to Capt. Barnsley on that Subject.

Bettsy and Mr Willing are returned from Virginia, and he finds himself partly well, and the better of his Journey.

I am glad to hear You have recovered Your unlucky Trouble at Bedford, and hopes this will find You returned to Your goverment.

I remain,
My Dear Sir,
Your most obed Servt

ALEXr LUNAN.

[Endorsed] Mr Lunan 10th July 1762 Receiv'd & answd 23d

(July 14, 1762)

T. D. HAMBACK TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 252, A. L. S.]

Detroit July 14th 1762.

Honoured Sir!

The pleasure which I feel in Expressing my Gratitude to your honour, by Every Opportunity, would be Entirely if I wasn't in Some measure Check'd by the fear of being too troublesome in writing So often, but as your honour had been kind enough of iteresting your Self for me, at my first Entering into Trade, I think it my Duty to acquaint you of the Success of it: two days Ago Mr van der velden Sett off with 40 packs by the Way of Niagara, which if safe Arriv'd with the Bill of Exchange, And Furrs of Last year, will I hope verry near pay off the first Cost of our Cargo, And Next Spring we Are to get 37 packs More which will Sufficiently pay the Expences. I Can't help of being Some what dissatisfied of Capt Callender, of having dissapoint'd me this Spring, After all the Agreement we had Made, and the Assurances I got by his hand writings; viz, to be up Early in the Spring with the goods, wch was to be in partner ship between him And me, and upon which I promised to Sundry Persons to furnish them with Such goods as I had given him an Invoice of: to Extricate my self from which I have been oblig'd to take Some goods from him and Spear, at the Same rate they Sell here to french Men, and So dear, that I verry Much repent of having taking it, As I Could make Muh better Bargains, with the Albany Traders, Several of whom would be glad to take me in partner ship with them, or Sell me upon Credit, which I Could Sell Again to verry good advandtage At the out posts, as I am Not only well acquaint'd now, what goods Suits best, but understand several Tongues of Indian Nations tolerable well. Mr Mitchel desires me almost in Every Line to Come down; As he will let me have goods and Cash if required, and has proposd me a Partner if I choose him, but all those advandages I must Loose for this Summer, by the thrust I put in to Mr Callenders Letters. Mr Prentice his Brother in Law, is, I Suppose, to be in my Place.

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if possibly I Can Dispose of the goods, I have at present at hand, I intend of being down in the Faal.

I Am Sir
Your Honours
Most humble & Most obed.t Servant

T D HAMBACK

P. S. to morrow I intend to sett off again to st Joseph where my good is gone before me.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mr Hambach July 14th 1762
Received by Mr Smallman the 7th Augt Answered the 27th

[Addressed] To Colonel Henry Bouquet Esqr. Commanding at Fort Pitt
Pr fav. of Mr Smalman

(July 15, 1762)

CAPT. JOHN PHILIP DE HAAS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 254, A. L. S.]

Philadelphia July the 15th 1762

Sir

Your favours of the 5th & 6th of April, I recieved, & humble beg pardon for not answiring them Sooner, Sunday people informid me you was on the Road coming down, & I expected to have had the pleasure of seing you here, & am still in hopes.

(July 15, 1762)

I am very glad the little Boy turns out so will to you Satisfaction, but cannot find any body, that I think will do to keep him, besides they ask 19/ pr week for bourding only. as there is no Campaining this year, & you think propur to Send him to me, shall take particular Care of him.

the mans Answer concerning the powder the highest price he can give for it is 8£ p barrel if delivered here, if he goes to Pittsburgh to work there, he will have four pounds p barrel for manufactoring the powder, besedes have a mill built for the purpose, & Two men to help him, and after the powder is finished, to have the liberty to Destroy the powder mill, so as to be of no use afterwards. the building of the mill will cost about 50 or 60 pounds. if the powder is send down here, he will have 3 pounds p barrel for preparing it.

there is 100 men to be raised in this Province, in order to build a Battery 8 mills distant from this City, wich would be a very Advantagious post for me. but so many has made Application for it, that I shall have but a small Chance, except You write to our Gouvernour for me on that head. I imagine they are waiting for Capt. Mayer to form a plan for the Battery

I am
Sir
Your most Humble & most Obedt. Servant

J. P: DE HAAS

Mr P falzer Leinford the baker informed me that You have a furr coat and Sundry other things in his Hous, and that Some of it is motheating; and want it out of his Hous being afrayt that it will be all motheating, please to let me know wat to tel him or wat I Shall to with it, if you please I Shal take it in my Hous till you order wat do to with it

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt. De Haas July 15th 1762 Received the 30th

(July 20, 1762)

LIEUT. JAMES RALFE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 256, A. L. S.]

Carlisle 20 July 1762

Sir/

I rec^{d} the Favour of Yours and went to Barr to know what he intended to do concerning his Servant, when he told me he had sold his share of the Works ~~the~~ to Mr Stedman and should give himself no more trouble about the matter.

On my keeping a strickt look out on Mr Frank he one Night made his Escape from Lancaster and I hear went to Philadelphia and Enter'd on board a privateer.

The Country all round here is ruined for want of Rain they have had little or no Hay and verry bad harvests.

I am
S^{r} Y^{r} most Obed^{t} & Hble Servt

JA^{s} RALFE

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mr Ralfe 20th July 1762
Received the 30th

[Addressed] To Colonel Bouquet Commanding his Majestys Troops at Fort Pitt

(July 20, 1762)

LIEUT. ARCHIBALD BLANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 258, A. L. S.]

Fort Bedford July 20th 1762

Dear Col.l

When I got to Ligonier which was the Day after I left you; I found every in as good order as I could have wished

I'm afraid Major Ward made a bad use of the unlimited order he had for Provs to the Indians: He has drawn no less than 950lb of Flower 300 pounds of salt Pork and 376 pounds of fresh Mutton.

I got here to day about one O'Clock when I found Capt. Ourry in very High spirrits.

I am
Sir
Your most Obedt. H. Servt

A BLANE

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lt Blane 20th July 1762
Answd 23d.

(July 23, 1762)

ENSIGN H. C. PAULI TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 259, A. L. S.]

Sandusky July ye 23^d 1762.

Sir

Since Corporal Meyer with the relieve has lefft this, my Party has begon to git Sickly; I have had no less then four men ill with the cowl Fiver this Two days passt, wich illment I believe mus be owing to the bad Water on this Place.

If it should please the Colonel to Order some Medicines for this distember I supose they might be cured here: the Sick are: Philip Dubo and Saml Gerber, of Colonels Company Wm Woodby the Generals and Joseph Hutson of Capt Equies Company.

Captn Campbell being in want of fresh meat; I have let him have eight Sheeps in Lue of Porck

It is inpossible to buy wenison, as the present time is so hungery with the Indians that they hardly able to keep themselves alife.

Nothing else Extraordinairy

Sir
I am
your most obediant Humble Servant

H C PAULI En^s

[Endorsed] Letter from Ensign Pauly Sandusky 23^d July 1762 Received by Mr Crawfurd the 10th August Answered the 1st Sept^r

(July 24, 1762)

LIEUT. FRANCIS GORDON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 260, A. L. S.]

[Venango, July 24, 1762.]

Sir

Inclosed I Send you the Returnes of this Post for ye 24th of June and 24th of Jully the provision that well be wanted to ye 24th Jully is Included Agreable to Capn Barnsleys Order have Sent 1 Corporal & Six privet with two Battos loaded with emty Barrells there is Much wantd Sune Tallow and 1 Barrell of Hoggs lard it would be of great use to me and ye Garrison

I am
Sir
your very Humble Servat

FRA GORDON

Venango ye 24th Jully 1762

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut. Gordon 24th July 1762

(July 25, 1762)

SOPHIA FESCH TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 263, A. C. S.]*

Charles Town, 25e Juliet 1762

[Cher Colonel]

[Avoir reçeu mes deux Lettres] du 17 fevrier 23 May [& une Copy date 4me Juin.] Il arrive constament de Vaisseau de Philadelphia mais point de Lettres [pour la pauvre Veuve.] J'ai reçue une seconde Copie Mercredy passé de votre Lettre du 11 Mars: Je ne comprend pas comment les Lettres sont si longtems à venir ces Barques font leur Tragee en 10 ou 13 Jours tout au plus d'une Province à l'autre il faut que l'on obligé Vos Lettres Cela me desole quand je pense que Je [vous envoie une] Reponse que de 4 à 6 Mois.

Je me Suis cherché une petite Maison, mais éllé me Coute Cher; les Louages sont tres extravagantes Je Vis [tre Retiraie & depense tres peu qu'il] m'est possible, malgré tout cela je trouve que l'argent s'en va bien vite.

Quelle porte prendre pour me tirer d'ici est ce que ma tant fatique Ce sois je pense de tout vendre, & de prendre mon passage pour l'Europe mais l'Idee que je pourcit etre prise m'arrette D'alieurs il n'y à point D'occasion à droiture pour Livorne, & d'aller [p . . .] est affaires me fait faire doubles Voyages & Depences, et de l'autre côté je me dis si j'embarque [pour partir de] Philadelphia peut être trouveräge une occassion [. . . . .] [. . . . .] frequentment [Comme il y a Constament des Vaisseaux là a droiture] pour l'Italie. [. . .] de cette façon [ne pas] me traquassé l'Esprit, sans venir a une resolution, en attendant, les mois passent. Je me vois condannée à endurer toute la Chaleur & toutes les desagreements de cette Ville mais si je prens m'on [port . . . . .] pas vous surprendre, puis & vous sçaves [. . . . .] fais de Votre Conseils; c'est donc une Reponse de Vous, mon Cher Monsieur, qui me deciderois de partir.

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* The original of this letter, at f. 261, is largely illegible and not reproduced.

(July 25, 1762)

Je Vous avoue qu'il me Seroit une peine infinée de quitter l'amerique sans vous revoir encore une fois, je me [. . . . .] d'avance asses. Sophia Hall, ou plustôt [Sottee?], Nom Pick Pocket a été vendu le 9e courant a un Boulanger qui S'appelle Hunter pour £ 3500 Cur:

Comme je vous ai deja marquée par ma derniere, les conditions [. . . . .] leur Enverois le tout & [. . .] Nous avons finis entierement en bons amis de sorte que ces Messieurs ont la Possession de tout. J'ay quittée la Place Six jours apres; J'espere d'avoir [. . . . .] de Londres, mais si j'ay [. . .] [. . . . .] me suffit. Vous [. . . Recolte . . .] [. . . encor,] la Saison est des meilleurs ce qui accommodera les affaires de beaucoup. Si vous continué je Vous Souhaitte de tous mon Coeur, meilleur fortune & que toutes les Malheurs soient ensevelis avec le pauvre Fesch. [J'ay reçeu] un Lettre de mon Frere le Cape Le pauvre homme n'a que de Plainte. l'on lui a fait encore des pas droits, et il n'est pas plus avancé que du commencement. Il est allé à la [. . .] ou peutêtre il finira ses Jours Ainsi va le Monde

Le petit Garçon Cuba, J'ay eux le bonheur de placer apprentice d'un tres brave homme Capt d'un Vaisseau qui fait les Voyages [de la Guerre] j'en sui quitte pour toujours. Lundy passé j'ay cru perdre ma chere Petite, Elle [ûte un Recett] Causé par des Vers, mais à present Dieux merci elle est mieux et j'espere hors de danger.

Il me tard d'avoir de vos Nouvelles, de Scavoir comment Vous vous porté parmi tous ces tracas de Guerre etez Vous tranquille [. . . . .] Ayez la Bonté de m'en [. . . . .] [. . . . .] informer [. . . . .] [. . . . .] me parviennent en son tems

Adieu, Mon Cher Colenel, Je suis [avec] beaucoup d'Estime et Sincerite

[Votre . . . . .] et Amie

[SOPHIA FESCH]

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Duplicate of Mrs Fesh 25th July 1762

(July 25, 1762)

[TRANSLATION]

Charlestown, July 25, 1762.

Dear Colonel

[You must?] have received my two letters of February 17 and May 23, and a copy dated June 4. Vessels arrive constantly from Philadelphia, but no letters for the poor widow. Last Wednesday I received a second copy of your letter of March 11. I do not understand why the letters are so long in coming. These boats make their voyage in 10 or 13 days at the most from one province to the other. They must be so obliging as to carry your letters. That grieves me when I think that I am sending you a reply from 4 to 6 months late.

I am looking for a little house, but it is costing me dear; the rents are very high. I live a very retired life and spend as little as possible. In spite of all that, I find that the money goes very fast.

What way to take to get away from here is the thing which has been so tiresome to me. That is, I am thinking of selling everything, and taking passage for Europe, but the thought that I might be captured deters me. However, there is no opportunity for direct passage to Leghorn, and to go by [. . .] would cause double voyage and expense; and on the other hand I tell myself that if I embark to leave from Philadelphia perhaps I shall discover an opportunity [. . . . .] frequently, as there are always vessels there sailing directly to Italy. [. . .] in this way [. . .] my mind torments me, without coming to a decision. While waiting, the months are passing. I see myself condemned to endure all the heat and unpleasantness of this town, but if I take my [. . . . .] not to surprise you, then and you know [. . . . .] give your advice. It is, therefore, a reply from you, my dear Sir, which would make me decide to leave.

(July 25, 1762)

I assure you that it would cause me infinite pain to leave America without seeing you once more, I [. . . . .] enough in advance. Sophia Hall, or rather [Foolish Hall?], a pickpocket name, has been sold the 9th of this month to a baker named Hunter for £ 3500, currency.

As I have already told you in my last, the terms [. . .] send them the whole and [. . .] We have ended entirely as good friends so that these gentlemen have possession of everything. I left the place six days later. I hope to have [. . . . .] from London, but if I have [. . . . .] is enough for me. You [. . . crop . . . . . yet,] the season is one of the best which will improve matters very much. If you continue, I wish you with all my heart better luck, and that all the troubles may be buried with poor Fesch. I received a letter from my brother the captain. The poor man has nothing but trouble. They have still been unfair to him, and he is no farther advanced than at the beginning. He went to the [. . .] where perhaps he will finish his days. Thus goes the world.

The little boy, Cuba, I had the good luck to place as apprentice with a very fine man, captain of a vessel which makes voyages from the war. I am rid of him forever. Last Monday I thought I was going to lose my dear little one. She had an ailment caused by worms, but at present, thank God, she is better and I hope she is out of danger.

I am longing to have news from you, to know how you are among all the bustle of war. Are you contented? [. . . . .] Have the goodness to [. . . . .] me about it [. . . . .] to inform [. . . . .] may succeed in his time.

Goodbye, my dear Colonel, I am with great esteem and sincerity

Your [. . . . .] and friend,

[SOPHIA FESCH]

(July 26, 1762)

CHARLES TOWNSHEND TO REV. M. SCHLATTER

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 265, C. S.]

War-office 26th July 1762

Copie

Sir

I am to Signify to You, It is his Majesty's Pleasure that you do immediately repair to your duty with the Regiment.

Unless I hear from you within a reasonable time, that you are actually embarked in order to join your Regiment, I Shall move his Majesty to Supersede You.

I am
Sir
Your most obedient humble servant

TOWNSHEND

The Revd Mr Schlatter Chaplain to the 1st Battalion of the 60th Regiment of foot Serving in North-America

the original of this letter I received the the 30th of Novemb: last, by the Hands of Capt Barnsley

M. SCHLATTER.

[Endorsed] Copy of a Letter from His Majesty's Secretary at War to Mr Slatter July 1762

[in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Settle wth Capt Barnsley the Money to be given to Mr Hutchins on the Recruiting service & a Letter of Credit from Mr Mortier or Coll. Hunter Virga

(July 26, 1762)

ENSIGN JOHN CHRISTIE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 267, A. L. S.]

Prisqu'Isle 26th July 1762

Sir

I received yours, by Mr Pitcher, who arived hear the 25 instt and sets of for Niagara to'morrow, he has got a very good Batteau, And did every thing in my Power, to make this place Agreeable to him, also his journey on the Lake.

I had a letter from Major Walters, last week, by the return of two Batteaux I had sent for Provision, Ordering me to return the Said Battx for a Nother load, before I Sent Any to St Duskie, which will then be a Sufficient quantity for both Garrisons, for More then Twelve months. I Could not send both Batteaux, as one was very much damaged by last trip, And must be repair'd, which Shall be done as Soon as possable, I Shall then Send Eighteen or Twenty Barrls to St Duskie, and keep going Untill that Garrison have at least twelve Month provision in Store before the fall.

The Sloops was not got out to the lake the 13th of this Month, but it was hop'd the Commodore Would have one out Soon, they have sent for the Ships Boat from this, and has Sent one Small Battx in place of it with Some Pitch & Oakum, & one Half Barrl of powder for the Defence of this post.

I have got from Lt Guy Eight Sheep istmtd at 40 Wigt for Which I am to let him have pork one Barrl, I hope you will agree to it as there is no fresh Meat hear.

There is Very Much Wanting, for the Stor's, &c, two Stock Locks, Some Padlocks, (as what is hear is good for nothing) Also a Small Tenant Saw, Small Gamelets, two Chizels, one 1/2 inch Broad, the Other 1/4 inch Brd

I will be at a loss for Want of lime to Make Mortar, to Mend the Chimneys of the Block House, as Some will want repairing soon. One Horse remains hear for a few Weeks as his feet is tender & Want Shoes, I have sent the Express, my servant from this, Who

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is to bring from Fort Pitt two Milk Cows. I have inclos'd the Returns of this Month and Some letters from Niagara.

I am Sir

Your Most Obed^{t} Humble Servant

JOHN CHRISTIE

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Ens^{n} Christie 26th July 1762 Received 4th Aug. answ^{d} the 5th

[Addressed] On His Majesty Service To Colonel Henry Bouquet or Officer Commanding at Fort Pitt

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JAMES PITCHER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 269, A. L. S.]

[Presque Isle, July 26, 1762.]

Sir

I pleasure myself this will find you, and all the Gentlemen with you well,

after thanking you for the Civilities that I received at Fort Pitt, and the assistance you gave me for my Journey; which has not been very agreeable since I left you. I must tell you I arrived at Presquile on Sunday the twenty fifth at noon where I found two Batteaus arrived with Provisions from Niagaria, and was to have return'd last Satterday but the wind was to Boisterous on the Lake.

The first Evening after I left you, I found at the Place we intended to Encamp, the Warriors, with their Prisoner & Scalps. which obliged me to move a mile further on, after I had pass'd their Encampm^{t} I found one of my Bagage Horses, with Smith & my Servant did not come up, on which I turn'd back, and found it surrounded by the Indians, one holding the Horse by the Nose, others busy with the Bagage, so soon as they saw me coming, two of them came off to meet me, on which I had recourse to my Pistols, and

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should certainly have rid over them, if they had not got out of my way, on my comeing a full Gallop, I ordered them in a very Angry tone to desist imediately, and quit the Horse and Bagage; on which they all stood amazed I again ordered them imediately to quit their hold which they did, I then very Angryly reprimanded, Smith and my man for not calling to me; When those Rascals stop'd them, ordered him imediately to drive on. I then espied the white man amongst them, I ask'd him the Reason of their Stoping my Horse, and Plundering my Bagage; he told me they wanted Meal, I ordered him to tell them, that they did not behave like Brothers and Friends, but Robbers, that if they had not imediately desisted, I should certainly have kill'd some of them, and advise'd them never to do the like again, for if they did, they would certainly bring their Nation into a great deal of trouble, my ~~bagage~~ Bagage Horse by this time was out of sight. I left them, and proceeded, A Mile further. & Encamp'd, it growing late in the Evening: while I was pitching my Tent one of the Warrors appear'd, came down the Hill to Us, View'd the Bagage, I pretended to be very Angry at the usage I had reced from them, he stay'd but a few minuits and left me, but kep't me on the Watch all night, I then wish'd I had a larger Escort, /but heard no more of them. as they had loosened the Bagage. the Bag, wherein was the biscuit, Letters, a Watch Mr Bailey gave me, to carry to Niagaria &ca fell off the Horse into the run of Water, which spoild the Biscuit, but dry'd the Letters, Watch &ca as well as I could./ the rest of the Journey no Accident, but the Horse I rode lost one of his fore shoes, which obliged me to Walk about Forty Miles their being no Smith at Le Boeuf, and by traveling has lost so much of his Hoof that the Smith said, he could not fix a Shoe strong enough on, to last him down and that it would be better to let him remain here, till his hoof was grown out. /Mr Christie has promised me to take care of him, and send him down./

All is well at the Posts I came through, the Block Hous here is well laid out, but the Chimneys are droping down for want of Morter to place the Bricks in. I have no occasion to tell you the badness of the Roads. I don't learn any News from Niagaria, but a Confirmation of Majr. Walters's removal and intends leaving Niagaria the first Sloop, Major Wilkins to relieve him, till Majr. Gladwin returns, who is going on an Expedn. you have my hearty Wishes for your welfare and am with great truth

Sir

Your most Obed & Humble Servt.

JAs PITCHER

Presquile 26th July 1762.

Compliments to all the Gentlemen.

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ENOCH INNIS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 271, A. L. S.]

July 27th 1762

Sir/

Through the Intercession of Coll.^{o} Cresap I have made Bold to request your favour in Regard to a Debt due me from one John Coulton who was a Serg.^{t} of the Granediers in your Regim.^{t}

It was a debt Contracted by him at Vinango in Ap.^{l} 1761 with one John Woods to whome I become his Security of which I made No Scruple as I Knew that at the time I Left Pittsb.^{g} for Vinango which was in Decr 1760 his Credit was good for five times that Sum & was generally Lookd upon to be an Honest Industrous Person but on my Return to Pittsburgh from Vinango found that through his Misbehavior, had became not worth one farthing so was Obliged to Pay the Debt for which they had Obtaind his Note of Hand & took an Order on the back payable to me which was all the Sattisfaction I Cou'd at that time get as he was in Confinement & as I was Obliged to Come Immediatly down Left the Note with Mr Philip Rice with an order to pay it to him on whose Producing the Note to the Drawer he took a Pen & drew it Along his Name with an Intent I Suppose to Race it Out but wou'd Not Discharge it Wou'd you therefore think Propper to have it Stop'd out of his Pay or order him to Discharge it Otherwise you woud Lay the greatest Obligation on .

Sir
Your most Obed.^{t} Hum.^{le} Servt

ENOCH INNIS

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Letter concerning Coulton's Debt answ.^{d} 27.th July 1762

[Addressed] To Coll.^{o} Henry Bouquet Commanding at Pittsburgh

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COL. THOMAS CRESAP TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 272, A. L. S.]

Old Town July 27th 1762

Sir

Maj^r Livingston informed me that you were desirous I shoud Winter you some Cows & Horses & woud be glad to Know on what Tirms, Your Cows Shan't exceed ten shillings p head & the horses agreable to the Quant^y of Provinder you shall think fitt to Order them which Shall be as Cheap as Can be Offorded & all Possible Care taken of them

I am under a Necessity of Troubleing you; Requesting some further Favours in regard to sundry Persons at your Post Indebted to me on whome No Process of Law Can be served & by whome I am greatly sufferer in Perticular one Jonathan Plumer for whome I became spetial Bail some time before he left these parts which Debt & Costs I have since been obliged to pay Amounting to About Fifteen Pounds besides which he is indebted to me by Bonds to the Amount of Five hundred Pounds & Never Likely to get one Farthing unless through your Assistance

I shoud be glad to Know Whither a sheriff from this woud be Allowd to Bring him by a Writ from that Post or by what Means or Process he may be Compelld to Discharge his Debt Allso there is one William Shearer whose Bond I have inclosed & woud Esteem it a singular Kindness if you woud order him to Discharge it & a Receipt from any Person whome you shall order to Receive it Shall be a Discharge for the whole or any Part thereof from me

I have sent you allso inclosed the Oreginal Pattens of your Lands which Perhaps may be of Service some time or other

I am Sir
your most obliged & Obed^t Hum^e Servt

THO^S CRESAP

P. S. Mr Innis who is a sone in Law of mine writes to you in Regard to a Debt Due him from a soulder in your Reg^t Your doing him any favour therein woud Lay a further Obligation on Sir who am as Above

T. C

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Coll. Cresap 27th July 1762 Received the 2^d Aug. answ^d 27th d^o

[Addressed] To Coll^o Henry Bouquet Commanding at Pittsburgh

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MAJOR JAMES LIVINGSTON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 273, L. S.]

Old Town July 27th 1762

Sir

I Received your favour the 23d instt. wherein you desire me to enquire into the terms for Wintering Horses, Oxen & Cows of Colo. Cresap, He will Winter the Cattle at 1/ p head & as to Horses it is according as they are fed with Grain but the Colo. and you will not differ.

I Reced a Letter dated the 25th from Colo. Stephen, wherein he informs me that Fort Moor the Strongest place about the Havannah, is in Our Possession, & Six Spanish Men of War. He likewise desired that I would send down all the Men at the Fort as I had inlisted the whole to Serve again otherwise I could not be paid the Money I advanced to them I therefore trespass on your Goodness to go down there to Settle their Pay Subsistance as I had no one I could send down with them I have left a Carefull Corporal in charge of the Garrison Mr. McDonald goes down with me

I am
Sir
Your most Obedt. Servt.

JAMS LIVINGSTON

Colo. Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mr. Livingston 27th July 1762 Received the 2d Aug

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MEMORANDUM

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 275, A. C. S.]

A List of Virginia Five pound Bills supposed to be Counterfeited found in the Possession of the following Persons at Fort Pitt the 28th July 1762.

N° of Bills	By whom Signed	In whose hands found.	From whom received
180.	Peyton Randolph Ro. C. Nicholas	James McMullen	Joshua Bartlet Peter Renfroe-
181. 242.	Ditto ---------	Thomas Small--	D°
235 243	Ditto ---------	James Stephenson	D°
168.	Ditto ---------	Judith Sullivan	D°
206 239 249	Ditto ---------	Patrick Allison	D°

The said Joshua Bartlet is about five Feet Eight Inches high well set, &, speaks through his Nose.

Peter Renfroe, about five feet six or seven Inches high, his hair cut off, wears a Silk Cap. the said Joshua Bartlet came to Pittsburgh to receive his Wife Mother and Sister in Law who had been prisoners amongst the Indians Peter Renfroe is his half Brother, they are said to live on Blackwater, Bedford County in Virginia, they are now gone to Opeeking within twenty Miles of Winchester to the House of one Jacob Vanmetre.

(a Copy) H. B.

NB. Small & Stephenson received their Four Bills from John Hardy, and Alexander Robinson, living at and near Carlisle in Pensilvania, who had received them from Joshua Bartlet & Peter Renfrow.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Note of the Nine Five Pound Bills -- Suspected to be Counterf: & Sent to Governor Fauquier the 29th July 1762 by Broughton

(July 29, 1762)

LIEUT. THOMAS GUY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21643, f. 276, A. L. S.]

Le Bauff 29th July 1762

Sir

I received yours of the 16th July by Mr Pitcher I write to you the 17th June & inclose' to you an account of the Stores received Issued & remaining at Le Bauff since I came here as you desired. I have likewise inclosed you the returns for the twenty fourth of July.

I take this oppertunity of acquainting you that Mr Christie write to me desireing that I woud Exchange with him some Sheep for Pork which I have done I hope you will not be displeased at my doing it with out acquainting you off it I thought it was equall the same as I got the same quantaty of Pork. I have enquired about the mens dischargus but there is not eany here that have eany clame to there discharge

I am
Sir
Your Obedt Hble Servant

T. GUY

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut. Guy 29th July 1762 Received 4th Aug Answd the 5th

[Addressed] On His Majestys Service To Colonel Bouquet commanding at Fort Pitt

(July 29, 1762)

MAJOR HENRY GLADWIN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 278, A. L. S.]

Niagara July 29 1762

Sir

Eere this, I am persuaded you will have heard that the General has been pleased to appoint me Major to the Battalion you command, but as it appears to me no way to my advantage, I thought it best to decline accepting it; not that I have any objection to the Corps, on the contrary, I can assure you, that I have a very great regard for all the Gentlemen with whom I have the honour to be acquainted, and for none more, than for Colonel Bouquet

I shall proceed for Detroit to morrow with Captain Etheringtons company, from thence I shall send him with proper parties under his command to Lake Superior, in order to take post at Sault de St Marie, Gamanestaguice, & Chagumigon; If I can serve you in any thing that way, I shall be happy in executing your commands

I am
Sir
Your most obedient and very humble St

HENRY GLADWIN

P S
I desire you will present my compliments to the gentlemen with you

[Endorsed] Letter from Major Gladwyn 29th July 1762 Received the 24th August Answered the 21st Sept^{r}

(July 31, 1762)

CAPT. GEORGE ETHERINGTON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 280, A. L. S.]

Niagara 31st July 1762.

Dear Coll.

Yours I receiv'd of the 15th Instant and have here enclos'd Shoff's Account.

To morrow morning I sett off from this place to Lake Superior, there to Establish a Post; I am to do the same at the Straights of St. Marys, and then to return to Michilimakna for the Winter.

I am
Dear Coll:
Your most obedient and very Humble Servant

GEO: ETHERINGTON

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt. Etherington 31st July 1762

(July 31, 1762)

LIEUT. ARCHIBALD BLANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 281, A. L. S.]

Ligonier July 31st 1762

Sir

I received your favour of the 23d at Bedford, the night before I came away; I would not have left Curry so soon, had not the arrival of Mr. Franks made it necessary. You may be asured the Indians upon their return, shall have every thing in reason, for you know I dont chose any body should give (with reason) a bad name to this place.

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I sent you, by Mr Franks, Turnip seed for two Acres. I am sorry I could not spare more, but I have been oblidged to supply Bedford & Stony Creek. Wee have this day, with the few hands I have, shifted, & weighed, 32,000 of the Flower in Bulk, which turns out better than I expected

Just now I have received your Orders (from Mr Potts), to send up Corpl Hallows, to Join his Compy but as more Men (if it was possible) would be necessary; I hope you'll exuse my detaining him, till the Survey is over: And realy, I can't help begging the favour of you, to let him remain; for it's hard upon me, to have my Serjts & Corpls so often changed, more particularly Hallows, who, by being my principal Actor, for more than a Year, is realy become necessary to me, neither can I imagine (tho' Capt Phillips represents the Contrary) that one Serjt, two Corpls, & Capt Phillips (who has nothing to do) can be to few to take care of 25 Men, that are all in one place. In short Coll, I never like to part with a Man who wishes to stay with me even tho' a bad one, now if you would give yourselfe the trouble to enquire at Capt Barnsly you'll find, notwithstanding all my Anxiety for keeping Hallows, that at best, he is but a Drunken Fellow.

In case I am to certify for the Flower, that may be damaged, or short of the Quantity, I hope you'll inform me in what manner it will be proper for me to do it which with granting my other request will very much oblidge

Sir
Most sincerely
Your most Obedt & most H. Servt

ARCHd BLANE

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieutt Blane 31st July 1762 answd the 9th Augt

[Addressed] On his Majesty's Service To Coll Bouquet Commanding at Fort Pitt

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(August 1, 1762)

LIEUT. FRANCIS GORDON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21643, f. 283, A. L. S.]

[Venango Aug. 1, 1762.]

Sir

I Recev^d yours by Mr Pitcher ye 19th Jully in his way to Presque Isle he left this ye 22^d in his way here hire mete ye Mengo Warriors About 20 Mills from Fort Pitt, one of his Baggage Horses was Stopte by them, & they ware About plundering ye Same, he being a litle in ye front Heard it road back with his Pistoles. Cock^d and Oblig^d them to quit the Horse, and very fortunatly lost Only a Small Kege with a litle Rume that they had Cute from Smiths Shulder befor he got up to them and Rume into ye Woods with it. I was extremly happy in his Comp^y he was very Agreable and Cherefull and told me Offen his storrie of bulleing ye Indians I regreat^d Much, that having leve from you to go to Presqu Isle, with Mr Pitcher, the Warriors did not Come hire to ye 25th which prevented Me from from Seeing my friends and imbressing your kind Offer I thret^d ye Warriors for ther behaveour to Mr Pitcher There Answer was that they had no provisions, that they had got non at Fort Pitt, they were hungrey & killed no game, they intended no Herme to him only wanted a little floure for ther Sick Prisoner, and Offer^d me ye Kege they had taken I gave them a little provions on there promising they would never be gulty of like Again and I Ordered them to March off inediatly which they did. Wetherspune and three othere Granadiers when here Carreed a Cannue Off from this Post, it was left here in Care of Patterson by ane Indian, when Mr Patterson left this he left it for ye use of ye Garrison to Carrie Wood as ye River was very lo and ye Batto Could not be employed in that way. It was by Neglect let go Adrift, and was taken up by Cap^n Schlosser

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four Mills from this place and fesned it to a Tree from which ye Granadiers Carried her off, They knew all this and told Sume of ye mene that they did not mind here beloning to ye Garrison I here they have Sold hir at Fort Pitt, when I was going to Send for hir, ye Indians told me She was Carried off by ye Soldiers. She Must be payed for the Indians Aske £ 3 from Patterson for her. I think it is great Insolence of ye Soldiers, and if this is Allowed to Pase, what most we not expect from ye Indians. I wrot C: Barnsley of it he was So kind not to take Any maner of notise of it in his last letter to Me. If the Same gange Comes this way Again I perhaps may give them a Memorandom. I have Seen Mr Guys Acc^ts I belive they are as well Drawn up as Sircomstances will permit I believe he has been verry Neglectfull in Setting Down his Issuings. Mr Pitcher when here was Much Surprissed to See ye Grate Gate and one of ye Doors of ye Block house laying in ye Arrea of ye fort not Put up for want of Hinges, & he Mad me promis him I would Aquant you of it. I have Sent at Mr Christies Request ~~I have sent~~ a mane from this Post to Asiste his Servant to Carrie up Sume Cowes to PresquIsle as he says he has Not 6 Mene in ye Garrison

I am
your Most Hum^ble Ser^t

FRA^s GORDON.

Venango ye 1st Augt 1762

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut^t Gordon 1st August 1762 Received the 4th Answ^d the 5th

[Addressed] On His Majestys Service To Colonel Henry Bouquet Command^g at Fort Pitt

(August 1, 1762)

CAPT. JOHN SCHLOSSER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 285, A. L. S.]

Niagara Augt 1st 1762

Dear Colonel!

Inclosed I Send you the Monthly Return of our Detachement here for the month of July 1762 At the arrival here of the Muster Commissary Mr Pitcher, I Saw a letter of you to Major Walters, in which you tell him to put in our Companys the 4 men who were not mustered at all in the peceding muster, but as he was allready gone to join his former Regiment, we mustered the 31 July & brought those 4 men in the Majors Company from the 25th april 1761.

Major Gladwin is arrived here the 28 July & brought the orders with him for a Captain with his Company to go with him to Detroit & from thense to go Establish four Posts about lak Superior, he is to take the Command at Detroit & Capt: Etherington with his men to go to Michilmacana & plus ultra, the Company is gone the 29th & 30th July the major & Capt: Sets of to morrow, as every Thing is ready for them, they will proceed their voyage immediatly. The Wessel is out of the river & I belive allready arrived at Detroit. The Major would middel with nothing during his Staying here, he belives that the General will remouve him again in the light Infanterie, & given us in his Place Major Wilkins who Commands here, if trou, we will have a very genteel Men in him, he Séems ~~to me~~ to be a good officer who understands his busines.

The arrival of Major Gladwin gave me an opportunity to have Discharges, to execute my Project, in exchanging the most of The men who claimd their Discharges since Sometime, & those who were not good for the service, the inclosed list, will Show you the names of the Men wo are allready exchanged.

Coll: Bouquet

(August 1, 1762)

James Lane of my Company now at Sandusky, being transferd to Capt: Cochran in the Room of adam Hirshman, has good in the Boock 9-19-8 3/4 York. Capt. Barnsley can pay it upon my acct: if he has received nothing but what I know.

Sergent Brock of Ethering's Company being discharged by fournishing another good man in his Place, being a Supernumerary Sergent, I have made in my Company to fill up the Vacancy, Given Full Corporal in Cochrans Company & replaced him with another man who I transfered there & send him to Presqu'Isle, his name is Andrew Colbrath.

I Shall send an other time to Capt: Barnsley a list of what one Company is due to another, caused by the transferation, & which could not be payd, being not togather, that he may charge it to his proper Place.

In two Days I sett of for Scenecktoday for necessaris for the Garrison, but will be back so soon as possibe.

The Sergent Major having herd, that Mr Potts was to sell his adjutants Place, he desired me to Sollicit your Protection for him, & beggs the favour of your Recommandation to be admitted to pay it, having the money ready. I belive he understants that busines verry well, & would do anny thing to deserve your approbation & Show his gratfullness.

Vergive my freedom & belive me allwise to be respectfully

Dear Colonel
Your most obedient humble Servant

J: SCHLOSSER

P: S. Permit me Sir, to join my best wishes to our Gentlemen in General.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Captain Shlosser 1st August 1762 Received the 24th Answered the 22d Sept

(August 2, 1762)

SERG. MAJOR GEORGE BUTRICK TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 287, A. L. S.]

[Niagara, Aug. 2, 1762.]

To The Honourable Colonel Henry Bouquet

Sir./.

I must humbly Beg your pardon for the Liberty I have taken in those Lines, and were it not That I am assured by favours formerly Received, and also knowing that Your Candour, and Obligeing Condesinssion is so great I should not have Ventured to truble your Honour any More

Being Informed that Mr Potts is Removed from the Regiment (By Which Means The Adjutancy Will become Vacant) I must humbly Beg of your Honour to take it into your Consideration the Long Time I have Served in this Station, and the many Services I have done for the Regiment, and then Sir I hope you will be pleased to permit me to purchase it, (If it is to be Sold) and if it is not to be Sold then Sir I hope you will be pleased to Consider my Servitude and hope you will think me Worthy of your Recomendation. and you may be Asured, you will Always find me the very Indentical Man and also Worthy of Your Esteem, and Your honours Compliance therein will for Ever Oblige he Who is

Honourable Colonel
Your Most Obedient Most humble Servant

GEORGE BUTRICK

Niagara. the 2d August 1762.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Serjeant Major Butrick 2d August 1762 Received the 24th Answered the 22 Sept

[Addressed] To Colonel Bouquet.

(August 3, 1762)

ROD. DE VALLTRAVERS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 288, A. L. S.]

London Aug.t 3.d 1762.

Sir,

A Relation of yours, Lewis Carran of Mouldon in Switzerland, /: whose Father married my Sister, for his second Wife: and after whose Death he has been an orphan, under the Guardianship of M.r Burnand, Architect,:/ after having Served four years as Ensign and Lieutenant in Piedmont, obtained Leave to quit that Service, in order to engage in some Service now at War, to acquire more Experience, and to find proper opportunities to distinguish himself. He was Sent to me in hopes of entering into the Brittish Service. He remained with me 6. months, during which I did all I cou'd to obtain some Commission for him; But all in vain: The Laws of this Country not admitting any Strangers into any Employment under the Crown. At last, having obtained the Protection of Prince Lewis of Mecklenburg, of Lord Laudon, and of Count la Lippe, he went over to Portugal to try his fortune in that Country. What his Success will be I don't know; but, as it may be of Short Duration, he will be very happy, if he can obtain your Protection, and kind Advice. He will be entirely devoted to you, and obey any Command, you will be pleased to give him.

As to myself, I can be of no further Service to him in this Part of the World; being just on the Point of retiring, with my Wife, to my native Place, Berne in Switzerland, this Week.

If in that Place, and its adjacent Countries, I can be of some Service to you, or the Province of Pensylvania, in directing numbers of our industrious Artists, Husbandmen, and military Men, to seek Employment and a decent Provision for themselves and their Posterity rather in the Brittish Dominions, than in France and other Slavish Countries: I shall readily follow any Instructions, which the Province, or You shall be pleased to forward to me, through my worthy good Friends D.r Franklin, and D.r Fothergill. The Encouragements for the Settlers must be well explained, and I must be furnished with proper Means of acting as Agent, and of bearing the Expences occasioned on such a Service.

In this and all other Occasions I shall be proud to approve myself.

Sir, Your most obed.t Servant:

ROD. DE VALLTRAVERS:

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M.r de Walltravers Aug. 3.d 1762

(August 4, 1762)

MAJOR EDWARD WARD TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 290, A. L. S.]

[Bellfild, Aug. 4, 1762.]

Sir

This morning I was favoured, with your letter of the 23d of July: I had it inclosed, in A letter from my Brother, from Harrises's Ferey.

At my Arrival, at Ligonier; I Ordered the Indians Seven hundred pounds of bread but found it would not be Sufficient. and with respect to mold I must Assure you that they Had, but bearely what Served them to Bedford and at Bedford, the quantity, Issue'd to them of the Kings Provisions was Within bounds: and did not Exceed the Allowance.

I am Satisfyed you are well acquainted With the Extravagancy of those people; and I must Assure you that, they think, the Cannot Distroy too much on Those Occasions; and the reason, is this, that the Goverment, has at All times been too Indulgent at thier meetings With those people.

Permit me to Assure you, that at thier return, I shall keep them at the Allowance and Also I request to be permited, to Assure you; that I ever have, and ever Shall, pay the Greatest respect to the Generals Orders.

And to the Orders that I shall from time, to time, receive from my Superiors: I shall the Moment; I know, the numbers of the Indians write To you. Yesterday I was favoured with a short visit From Captain Ourry.

I am
your Most Obt Humbl Servt

EDWd WARD

Bellfild August 4th 1762

To Colo Henry Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mr Ward 4th Aug 1762

(August 4, 1762)

CAPT. GAVIN COCHRANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 293, A. L. S.]

New York August 4th 1762

Dear Sir

I had A letter from Niagara dated May 24th Acquainting me that Ellofrits & Somerfield two of the draughts from your Company who were with mine were draughted into Capt Schlosser's, & that three men of my Company were draughted into the Major's & Ethringtons, what Surprises me most is that Tyrell should be one of them, & that he should have been sent from Presqu'Isle in room of Another man of my Company: the Company if at An out post cant do without him which I found to be the case at Presqu'Isle & therefore let him never go from the place. I dont know whether these draughts were to Supply discharged men, which was the case last year, but none has been discharged from my Company but Serjt Casterof. I should be glad if it was in your power you would discharge George Sheller, he is A very honest man & has A wife & Small family that can ill Subsist without him, & he Assures me he left A certificate with his wife of his time's being out. I have found in A trunk which was missing attestations of Several of my men who pretended their time was out which prove they Are listed for life, or a longer time than what they say in my hurry I forgot to tell you that Tyrell's usefullness consists in his being the only man that understands the Indian language.

We had yesterday reports of the Indian's having done mischief in the German flats. the Accounts from the Havannah Are yesterday pretty favourable; the Wood's Castle which it seems is their only Strength is Almost reduced to rubbish, & the batteries Are Advanced so nigh that the musquetrie on both sides is continually employed. it seems the town will capitulate if that does. you have heard of the ffrench's having taken Newfoundland. We every day expect to hear of An English fleet's being After that ffrench fleet.

I am,
Dear Sir,
your most Obedt & Very hublе Servt

GAVIN COCHRANE

Scarce Any letters came by the packet which came in 3 or 4 days Ago there was A Report yesterday that the Queen of Hungary was dead.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt Cochrane 4th August 1762 answd 25th Octr

[Addressed] To Colonel Bouquet Fort Pitt

(August 4, 1762)

CAPT. DONALD CAMPBELL TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21643, f. 291, A. L. S.]

Detroit 4th August 1762

Sir

I have not had the honor to write you for some time past, I was Sorry to hear of the Unlucky accident you meet with, alongst with Capt Curry, but I hope you have entirely got the better of it, and this will find you returned to Fort Pitt.

I am to acquaint you that I had a Letter from the General wherein he tells me he had appointed Major Walters to the 45th Regt and Major Gladwin to Succeed him and that Major Gladwin was to command at Detroit. But he was Pleased to Say, as he had great Confidence in me, he had ordered Major Gladwin to Send me forward to take Posts in lake Superiour or to keep me with himself, as he judged best for the Service. and send another Capt in my place.

But I beleive our Expedition to Lake Superiour will scarcely take place this year. as by the last Accounts I had from Niagara the vessels are still in the Same way, and noe Batteaus built. I have large accompts to pass for the Contractions, of this Garrison and the Posts depending, If these affairs were Settled, I own I could wish, to join you at Fort Pitt. This is soe Small a favour that I hope the General will not refuse it I have lately Sent Returns of the Detachment which I hope has come Safe to hand.

I am Sorry to acquaint you of poor Claphams unhappy fate, he purchased two Panis Slaves here, he had the impudence to venture alone with them, from Sandusky ~~alone~~ in a Canoe, it appears they had formed the design to kill him, but did not put their Scheme in Execution till they meet with Some Indians, near Presq'isle, to whom It seems Mr Clapham, gave some Rum, and then they excited them to help them to kill their Master, and then plundered all his Effects and burnt his papers. they had the Assurance to Return, but the Indians delivered them up to me. I wrote the whole Affair fully to Mr Price, whom I have beged the favour to Communicate to Mr Capham to which I refer you The Indians seem tolerably well disposed at this place for the Present time. Mr Gorril writes he cannot procure the fine Peltry, you want till next Spring. Detroit Affords nothing new.

I am
Dr Sir
with the greatest Respect and Esteem
Your most obedient humble Servant

DONALD CAMPBELL

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I had a Letter from Major Gladwin of the 26th June, he did not then know of his Promotion.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt. Campbell 4th August Received the 17th September 1762 answered the 21st

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LIEUT. FRANCIS GORDON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 295, A. L. S.]

[Venango, Aug. 6, 1762.]

Sir

The favour of yours I Receivd with two Battos with Provision. The Battos was in a very bad Condition, when they Arived here, they lakeed very Much. The Provision has Not Suffered Much. The Creek is So Extremly lo that it is not at Present Posabble to forward Any Provision to Le Boeufe I have Attemted it twise, and Could not Succeed, only with faive Barls of Flour, and they ware Obligd to return every body here Says they never Observd it So lo, I have forwardd to Le Boeufe 10 Barrels of Pork, 4 Barls of Beefe, 64 Sheep, & 80wt of Bacon, with 20 Barls Floure. They only want 8 Barrls Flour to Complet them Wth Provisions for 18 Men to ye 1st of June 1763 not Including the Provision in Store ye 17th Apl last I Shall Send ye Remainder by first Oportunity of ye Creek raising I have Sent the Corpl & Six Privat by land to Le Bouefe Serjt McIntosh with 7 Privat with a Batto to Fort Pitt the other Batto Shall keep hire Capn Barnsley Ordered both the Battos Down on went with Van Hulst, the other with ye Garrison that was relieved, your Other Instructions Shall be punctually Observd I have Not on Drop of Liquer to give ye Men, I only Receivd in ye Kege 4 or 5 Gallons of Whiskie from C: Schlosser I complened to him of ye Same He Saed it was all he had got for me It would be of great Servise if you would Send me a litle to Asist me in geting may winter Magazines of Wood &Ca I have keept ye Men Constantly at Work 3 hours in ye Day Serjt McIntosh has been of great Servise to me his Dellogence Honest Indevours has Mad Me take this liberty of recomend of him to your favour I hop youl be So kind as Send me a Drumr as I am to have only 15 Rank and file Your very Sensible that a Garrison that has Provisions to forward and So great a thurrafaer

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for Warriers &C requires Sume Sho where they are So Small a Garrison that it is not in my power to keep a Sentrey Always in ye Day I have a very fate Cow hire I would kill, for ye Garrison if you would Allow me £ 6 pounds for her which Shee Cost, it will not be 4^d p^r W

I am
Sir
Your Obediant and very H^ble Sert

FRA^s GORDON

Venango ye 6th Augt 1762

P: S: There is two Locks 1 p^r of Stillards greatly want^d for y^e Kings Stores the Stillards is brock that is here, and will not weigh Above 150^W

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut^t Gordon 6.th Aug 1762
Received the 10.th

[Addressed] On His Majestys Service To Colonel Henry Bouquet
Command^g at Fort Pitt

[In Col. Bouquet's handwriting]

8 × 4 = 32 × 4 = 128

8 × 6 = 48

8 × 5 1/2 = 44 × 2 = 88

8 × 8 = 64

6 × 4 = 24 × 7 = 168

6 60

6 × 9 = 54

6 × 6 = 36 × 3 = 108

6 × 5 = 30

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6 × 4 = 24 × 5 1/3 = 120
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08 × 6 = 128

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21 1/3
5 1/3

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LIEUT. ARCHIBALD BLANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 297, A. L. S.]

Ligonier Augt 7th 1762

Sir

I herewith, send you a return of our Flower, having just finished the survey. It will no doubt surprise you, to see so great a deffection. I cannot possibly conceive how ~~27~~ so great a quantity as 27.324^{lb} can possibly be deffitient; I therefore forward this by Express, in hopes of its reaching you, before the Contractors leave Fort Pitt, that you may be the better enabled, to send me your directions. What is most remarkable, that ~~the~~ the Bulk store came out more nor returned, the whole deffitiency being in Flower that was in Baggs. and scarce ever used You will also please to observe the great quantity there is damaged, the greatest part of it so bad, that I doubt if Cattle will eat it; and I must also beg leave to inform you, that I fear much more will soon be in the same way. I hope things turn out better at Pittsburgh. Was I not selfe acquitted, that no Care possible, has been wanting on my part, for the preservation of every article here; it could not fail of giving me uneasiness as I cannot possibly devise the Cause of so great a deffitiency

I am
Sir
Your most Obed^{t} H Servt.

A BLANE

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut^{t}. Blane 7th Augt 1762 Answ^{d} the [9th]

[Addressed] For Col^{l}. Bouquet

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LIEUT. FRANCIS GORDON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 299, A. L. S.]

[Venango, Aug. 7, 1762.]

Sir

The Battoes Arived here Yesterday I Receiv^{d} one Henge & Nails &C as to ye Serj^{t} I shall endevour to Make Mind his Duty in the way you are pleased to Perscribe but I am Sertain I shall find it a harde Matter to put life in him, I am very Sensable that ye Service suffers no grumbling I could Not renedey it at the time I wrote you They beheave very well at Present, and I beleve they will Continue, As I am Sertain that that they are Convinced of there bad beheaveour I should be Satisfayed to Stay here this winter tho I have Aplayed to you to be Sent to Le Boeufe I most own I did Not Consider the Difficulty of my remuving my two Cows Corne Hay and several Other Conveneances that I have provided while I have been here I Receiv^{d} the Two Keggs of of Whiskey in very good order from ye Corporal which I believe to be a very Carefull man I will Apropriat the Whiskie to ye uses you Mention I am greatly Obliged to you for the indulgence your So Kind as give me in Sending every thing I have Asitte of you your other Instruction Shall be punktualy observed as to ye Indians I shall indever to prevent there Doing any Mischefe, they Stole four very fine Horses from Pattersons Mine in the Morning After they left this from ye House, that was tayed to the Door I am very Much Surprised to find that I have Made a Mistake in writing you that Ecuyers Com^{d} that relived Cap^{n} Cochrans was without necessarey I am Sertain I never intended it or so much as thought of sutch a thing for I understud they ware very well provided I am Sertain that Mr Baillie and you most have thought me very Offeteouse in Medling with a thing that Did Not lay in may way I Cannot remember my writing you Anything Concer^{n} Ecuyers Com^{d} I wrot you that the Men that was reliv^{d} of Cap^{n} Cochrans Com^{d} by the Ecuyers Com^{d} that there Shoes were So bad that

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they ware not Able to travel two of them was Sick here and that I was Obliged to Send them Down in the only Battoe I hade hire or keep them hire for Eeight or ten Day eating up the Provision at this Poste I likwise wrote you that The Men of Cap^{n} Gordons that Came up by Watter had eache of them wore out a p^{r} of Shoes -- Tis all I cane recolect that I wrote you on that Subject I have Sent Skinner as you Desired me but Naaither he or his Wife Deserves the lest indulgence it is the only Command he has gone this three yeares and they lafe at me and the Officer that Commands ye Com^{y}. I have very offen been thretned with ye Comm^{d} Officer by her Ladeship This Day I sent a Battoe off to Le Boeufe with Mr Guy Stores and Sume Flower which completes his garrison with Provisions to ye 1st June I have Sent 31 Barrells of Flour and Fresh and Salt Provision to ye Midle of Summer I have keept only one Battoe I understude that you Designed two for this Post If so youl Order one to be keept next tripe I wrote you that I hade a very Fate Cowe that If you thought proper to Allowe me to kill her for ye use of ye Garrison and Give me four pence p^{r} pound it would oblige me and Save the truble of Sending that quantity up to this Poste

I am
Your Most Obedient H^{ble} Servant

FRA^{s} GORDON

Venango ye 7th Augt 1762

P: S there is Eeight of ye Garrison hase the favour and [Eggo]

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut^{t}. Gordon 7th. Septr. Received the 11th 1762 Answered The 22^{d} Sept^{r}

N B. Order And^{w} Wilkin to this Post to Settle Account with Capt Hay & M^{r}. Smallman

(August 8, 1762)

ENSIGN H. C. PAULI TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 301, A. L. S.]

Sandusky Aug.t y.e 8.th 1762.

Sir

Corporal Wright who arived with 5 men Yesterday deliver'd the Colonels pleaser of the 22.d last, accordingly I Shal observe oportunity to dispose again of Captain Callenders Canoe for the Same mony.

A Supplay of 40 Barrels Provision 26 of Flower and 16 of Porck I received of Captain Robbertson Commanding a Vessell on Lake Erie, he arived here a few days ago with in 12 miles of this Garrison but could not git in to Lake Sandusky the Entrence being to Shallow.

I sent five men the remainder of the old Party exept Hutson of Cap.t Equies Comp.s who is Sik here and not able to march, Croom of the Grenadiers is Still Sik at Detroit.

I received a Letter of Captain Campbell by y.e chieffs of the Windoes which came here on purpose to Councell about some Complaints: /: that I used them to severe and bought their Land up but the found nothing in it but Lies of the old Prists/: I complaind in the Winter of making.

Probably you have not heard of Capt.n Claphams unlucky fate, he wend in a Canoe in order to go to Fort Pitt by the way of Prisqu-isle with two Pony Slaves a man and a Woman, he was cruelly murderd by them near Brisqu'isle, they murderers wend back to Detroit, were the Indians have livered them up: Capt.n Campbell Says they partly Confused to their Crime, and Say that the Indians helpt them to do it, they destroyed everything he had.

Nothing Extraordinairy inclosed the Provision Return.

Sir
I am
Your most obediant Humble Servant

H. C. PAULI En.s

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Ensign Pauly 8.th August 1762 Received 24.th d.o Answered the

(August 9, 1762)

DAVID FRANKS: CERTIFICATE OF ACCOUNT

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 302, A. L. S.]

[August 9, 1762.]

I do hereby acknowledge that Col.° Bouquet Esq.r has Certified an Abstract of Money paid for his Majesty's Use at Fort Pitt, and that a Draught of thirty pounds ten Shillings Curr.y drawn in favour of Humphrey Keys for Value received in Corn for the Use of the Kings Horses at this Post is included in the above Abstract which Draught I promise to take up and Discharge on Sight

Given Under my hand at Fort Pitt this ninth day of Aug.st 1762

DAV.d FRANKS

[Endorsed] Mr. David Franks his Certificate for £ 30" 10" -- Pass'd by Col.° Bouquet in the Money Abstract.

(August 10, 1762)

GOV. FRANCIS FAUQUIER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 303, A. L. S.]

Wm.sburgh Aug.st 10.th 1762

Sir

By the Post yesterday I received your Favor with the nine five pounds Bills, wch are most certainly counterfeit. I have put them together wth Your account and description of the Men who uttered them into the Hands of his Majestys Attorney General Mr peyton Randolph, also one of the Signers of all Bills of that Denomination, and have sent my Hue and Cry into Bedford after the persons. If they are taken we shall want Evidence of their knowing them to be forged at least circumstantial Evidence of the probability of their uttering them knowingly. In that Case I shall make Application to you that you would be so kind as to sift out the proper Witnesses of these Facts and permit them to attend our Court of wch I will not fail to give you timely Notice. I am much obliged to you for the care you have taken and the trouble you have given your self in this affair, and am

With great Regard
Sr
Yr most Obedt hble. Servt

FRAN: FAUQUIER

To Colonel Bouquet.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Governor Fauquier Aug.t 10.th Receivd 2d September 1762

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ENSIGN JOHN CHRISTIE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 305, A. L. S.]

Prisqu'Isle 11th Aug.t 1762.

Sir

The Schooner Cap.t Robertson from Niagara Arrived hear the 29th of July on her Way to Sanduskie, And Detroit &c She left the mouth of the river that Morning and was hear about Sun Sett.

In her I have sent to Sandusky 40 Barr.ls of provision, 24 of Flower & 16 of pork. I shall send one Batteau w.t More Soon. The Batteau that Went to Niagara with M.r Pitcher is not as Yet return'd.

The Schooner Sail'd from this the 3d ins.t

I am
Sir
Your Most Obed.t Humble Servant

JOHN CHRISTIE

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Ensign Christie 11.th August 1762 Ans.d 22. sept.

[Addressed] On His Majestys Service To Colonel Henry Bouquet Commanding at Fort Pitt.

(August 12, 1762)

LIEUT. THOMAS GUY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 310, A. L. S.]

Le Boeuff 12th August 1762

Sir

A Serj.t and six private of Cap.t Ecuyers company arrived here the 11th August. Agreable to your orders I have sent down the men of Cap.t Cochrans company. I have here now 6s 8c 12pt I write to you by last that the men of Cap.t Cochrans are in very greate want of Shirts Shoes & Stockings some of them have not a pair of Stockings or Shoes to there feet.

As the winter is coneing on I think it proper to acquaint you that there is a very greate want of Blankets at this place, the Blankets I Receiv'd were Old there is greate plenty of Blankets both at PresquIsle & Venango more than what the make use of. I acquainted you some time ago the want of a pair of Stillards at this Garrison & a Lock for the Store which is very much wanted.

As you promised me that you woud relieve me in the fall of the Year I hope you will not forget to have me relieved, for I am quite weary of the place I Irmagine by this time that you have received the account of the provision I can asure you upon my word & Honour that there was not eany waisted or made away with to my knowledge. I shall lave it entirely to your one discretion and as I have no friend to apply to except yourselfe. I hope you will be kind aknofe to see it Settled & I will allways acknowledge it as a very particular favour done me

I am
Sir
Your Most Ob.t Hum.ble Servant

T. GUY

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut.t Guy LeBoeuf 12th August 1762 Received the 22.d Answ.d the

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COL. GEORGE MERCER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 307, A. L. S.]

[Philadelphia, Aug. 12, 1762.]

My Dear Colonel

I am to acknowledge the Receipt of your kind Favour of the 15th July, which arrived here in my Absence: I went to New York as I thought and told every Body to return in eight Days, but I suppose you will be surprized at my Appointment when I tell you I carried a small Bundle of Accounts for the Cherokee Campaign, that would outweigh Mr Shippens which we both had a Sight of in 1760, and in short I made a five Weeks Trip of it and am now just returned.

You know my dear Sir, I never swained it in Phla when you were aquainted here, and I assure you I have not even yet persuaded myself to trifle in that Manner so that I am the most improper Person in the City to give you an account of the Fair. I can not even answer your Question "which of the Ladies pleased you best?" I will assure on my Honour that I would not give a Farthing to choose among them all, nay I will go farther and tell you, that I would not raise the Price to have the choice of my whole aquaintance on the Continent, I am known no where else and if I must marry as I do not intend to do it if I can avoid it, I would as soon follow your Scheme as any, and catch one blind folded, it might be a lucky catch, perhaps we might be happy I have seen so many Devils after the Ceremony, that I know tis all chance, and I much doubt that were I noosed, & should ever slip my Neck out, that I would not wish for a repeating Dose for I do think indeed I know some girls that are deceitfull.

Now to the more material and serious Parts of our correspondence -- and first -- let me congratulate you on the pleasing Hope of obtaining Liberty to visit the Christian World soon, I pity your Situation, and most sincerly hope with you for a Relief.

There is a Gentleman of your Acquaintance who has a fine and as thoroughbred a Horse as any in America, who has sent a particular Invitation to the Lady Mares at Colo Bouquets Farm,

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and has promised them these two Seasons, if they would only come up to his Plantation which is not more than 35 Miles from Col.° Bouquets, that they should have all Justice done them. Now Sir if you will please to accept of this Gentleman's offer, if you will be so good as send your Mares to my Plantation in Virginia on Shannondoah River, I will take care they shall be covered. I could buy you a fine half blooded Horse for about £ 70 or 80 but I think it is scarce worth while to run yourself to that Expense, when you have a whole blooded one so very convenient to you.

As I could not attend the Meeting of the Managers for clearing the Potomack, I can not say what Progress they made, or what they have determined upon I have got upwards of £ 200 subscribed, if the rest of the Managers have succeeded as well, I am very confident we shall be able to effect all that ever we intended, which was only to make some few Reefs of Rocks passable at low Water, which are and always have been so in the Spring Months, or when the River is full We never intended to do any Thing with the Great Falls, except to view them, and describe them as well as possible to the Public, in order to rouze them, and set the two Provinces to work together if practicable or necessary, to blow them for as Locks are so easily made, and will be so trifling an Expence when compared with blowing up Rocks or turning the Course of the River, which perhaps the water might not allow of, I was always for following that Method as the easiest and most certain.

I give you Joy in passing through Curry's Hands and Territories so easily Curry's Recovery too from his Fracture, was speedy and surprizing Good Constitutions are necessary upon all occasions I Shall endeavour to preserve mine tho I should sometimes chuse by way of Variety a little Roast Beef, and some good Madeira instead of the Crust & Water.

As to the News of the Place there is so much of it, and so trifling that I will not pester you with it One half of it is Scandal and the rest Family Affairs Young Dr Shippen who went Home to take his Degrees as a Physician, has alarmed and disturbed his Family here very much, ~~having~~ by marrying a Lady who was here in Disguise in 1760 and called herself Mrs Clark in short who was Miss Lee of our Dominion of Virginia.

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I set out this very Day for Virginia, and if something extraordinary does not happen, I think to see you in your own Territories in October, but I shall write you often before that.

I am
My Dear Sir
with great Esteem
Your much obliged and Obed.t Friend & Serv.t

GEO: MERCER

Philadelphia August 12.th 1762

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Coll. Geo: Mercer 12.th August 1762 Received the 11.th Sept.r

[Addressed] On His Majestys Service To Colonel Bouquet Commanding at Fort Pitt

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COL. ROBERT STEWART TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21643, f. 311, A. L. S.]

Fredericksburgh Aug.t 13.th 1762

Sir

I had the pleasure to write you twice since I left Pittsburgh viz.t from Cumberland, and from the Banks of the Tholston, and beg leave to assure you that my not having wrote oftner, was not

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owing to want of Inclination, but of something that could amuse or entertain you, and tho' the same reason for continuing silent still subsists yet I could not slip so good an opp. of offering my respectfull Complem.ts & best best wishes and at the same Time beg you would be Pleas'd to indulge my curiosity with regard to the Truth of a Report that for some Time has prevaild in this Country viz.t that M.r Deplessis after having made many Interesting Discoveries and gone thro a prodigious variety of most extraordinary Adventures is returned to Pittsburgh

You no doubt have heard of the high Esteem General Monckton is in at Court, and of the great and uncommon marks of Royal Favour he has lately been hon.d with, that Lord Loudon is again become the Man of Interest and Influence, that the Duke is ere now at the Head of the Army, that Lord Bute is First Lord of the Treasury that Lord Hallifax Succeeded him as Secretary of State and that the Duke of Newcastle is retird. We daily expect Important News from the Havanah where (the last acco.ts say) the Spaniards make a Noble Defence.

We have for some Time past been under Orders to hold ourselves in readiness at a moments warning but our Tents and Clothes (tho daily expected) are not yet arriv'd from Philadelphia; Tis hinted that we will Sail with the next Embarkation (suppos'd for the West Indies) The small Pox and the 269 of our best Men that went from us to the British Reg.ts has greatly hurt us, I fear that we cant carry many above 500 R & File into the Field

I beg my obliging Complim.ts to Cap.t Basset and the Gent.n of the Batt.n and am with great Deference

Sir
Your Most Ob.t & Most hble Serv.t

ROBERT STEWART

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lt Coll. Stewart
13th August 1762 Received the 2.d Sept.

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CAPT. RALPH PHILLIPS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 313, A. L. S.]

Fort Legoneer Augt 15th 1762

Sir

I have Inclosed you The Warrent for the Inspection of Stores at Legoneer, and The Courts Oppinion of The Same, I will Proceed Imidiatly To Bedford.

I am
Sir
Your Most Obedient And Most Humb^{e} Servt

RALPH PHILLIPS

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt Lt Philips 15th August 1762

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JOHN READ TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 314, A. L. S.]

Fort Ligonier 15th August 1762

Sir/.

Inclos'd is a Return of the Stores: Mr Blane had got the Flour Weighed Ready to our hands, that which is Condemn'd may be of use for Hoggs so that none is intirely lost; The Flour of the Best Quality is near the same with that at Fort Pitt, the Flour Complain'd of is much better than that at Fort Pitt, The Baker at this place made good Bread of the Worst of the Flour Complain'd of. I wish he Could be prevail'd on to go to Pittsburgh if it is only for a few Weeks.

I am Sir
Your most Obedient Humble Servant

JOHN READ

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mr Commissary Read 15th Aug 1762

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LIEUT. ARCHIBALD BLANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21646, f. 315, A. L. S.]

Ligonier Augt 15th 1762

Sir

Wee finished our Survey late last night but as both Capt Phillips & Mr Franks write you the State of the Stores, I shan't trouble you upon that head. Upon Mr Franks Application, I've given him a Certificate for the difficiency, accounting for the Cause, viz the length of keeping, and the natural wastage of such a Commodity, as there has been no survey of the Store here for near three years, I have also given another for the Flower condemnd by the Court, both of them agreeable to Mr Read. Mr Franks acquaints me, that you would have the best Flower sent to Fort Pitt, but as I can get no Horses here, and Mr Carre acquaints me I have your leave, I shall go to Bedford, where I know two or three Men, that (I believe I can agree with to carry it for Flower, a thing which Mr Franks tells me, you would chose. I could have wished you had mentioned, what you would allow them.

As we set out to Day, I shall be back against Saturday at farthest but sooner if I find it necessary

I am
Sir
Your most Obed^{t} H. Servant

A BLANE

P. S. I have not given a Certificate for the Condemned Flower as I imagine from what Mr Franks says, that you will return him the Opinion of the Court.

A. BLANE

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lt Blane Aug. 15th 1762.

[Addressed] On his Majestys Service To Col^{l} Bouquet Commanding at Fort Pitt

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ENSIGN JOHN CHRISTIE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 318, A. L. S.]

Presqu'Isle Augst 15th 1762

Sir

The 12th Instant a Boat arrived from Niagara with Fifteen Barrels of Provision.

I would have sent the Letters sooner but have had a very bad Fever, & not like to get the better of it yet Several of the Men also are in the same way When Davenland of your Company gets better I shall send him to Fort Pitt.

Yesterday came here an Indian & Squaw from Sandusky with the melanoholy Acc^{t} of the murder of Mr Clapham about the beginning of last Month he was at a Creek Twenty five Miles from this, he was sett upon by an Indian who goes by the Name of Nosey & three or four more. They knock'd him down & threw him in the Creek. They have taken his two Indian Servants & a Child with every thing belonging to him in his Canoe, They are Tawas & very well known by the Men at PresquIsle & Le Beauff

I had forgot to mention to you in my last the want of Nails about this Place. I have not one for any use & should be glad if you could send up some by first opportunity

I am
Sir
Your most humb^{le} & Obedient Servt

JOHN CHRISTIE

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Ensign Christie
15th August 1762 Received the 24th
Answered the 22^{d} Sept

(August 15, 1762)

DAVID FRANKS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 320, A. L. S.]

Fort Ligonier Augst 15th 1762.

Sir,

By the Bearer you will Receive a State of the Provissions, att this Post, with ye qty & quality & the Gentlemens Oppinion of it, the Quantity condemn'd is Small, but a Much Larger parcell shd or must Shortly meett ye Same judgement, for my oppinion is ye Whole qty is on the goe & Except one parcell about 40 to 50 thousand its very Little better if any than what is in the Stores at Ft Pitt, the Baker here did make Some good & whiter Bread out the qty mentiond above, better yn wht you have, So yt if horses can be gott at Ft Bedford it may be sent upp, no Carriage to be had here, of any Sort,

I find I came away without your Certicate Relateing to ye Wastage, I therefore shall Esteem it a favour youl please to give Such a Certificate as you Think proper, as its occassion'd by the Flood after Removells, Ratts &c. as it will Bee Nessicary to have one to Lay before ye Generall; And a Certificate for what is condemn'd here, as the Gentlemen have Sent it to you, & Say you'l Either forward me that, or Return a Certificate for the qty Condemnd, for till I have all the Nessicary papers I cannot Settle ye Accots for the Genrls inspection, I have desired Mr Ormsby to wait on you for the papers,

I am with great Resspect
Sir
yr most obeid Hble Sert

DAVID FRANKS

Collo Henry Bouquett,

[Endorsed] Mr David Franks Ligoneer Augt 15th Received the 17th Answered the 18th 1762

(August 15, 1762)

JAMES LEIGHTON TO CAPT. THOMAS BARNSLEY

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 321, A. L. S.]*

[London, Aug. 15, 1762.]

Dear Sir

As Stevens is just Setting out for America I must acquaint You that I have at present a very good Prospect of concluding The Royal American Accounts, The Secretary at War being disposed to procure us the Warrants, as Soon as an Account and the Pay-Office Books can be brought to tally.

I have given in a List of the Warrants granted in America to Mr. Powell, who has appointed to Settle with me on Thursday next, So that in a few Weeks, I hope to have the pleasure of congratulating the Officers upon the Payment of their Arrears.

To You Sir, as a Captain in the Regiment I Shall hint That not one Shilling of Non-Effective Money will be given, but to do Justice as much as possible to you, I have Termed a Scheme, to get the Contingent-Account which was to be paid out of the Surplus of the Recruiting Fund, allowed in a Separate Warrant. In this I have not the least Doubt of Succeeding, which if I do, the Difference in Faver of Captains will be £ 2000.

I must beg of You to believe that I am with the most perfect Esteem

Sir
Your most obedient & most humble serv^{t}

JAMES LEIGHTON

London August 15th 1762.

[Endorsed] By Lieutenant Stevens from London.

[Addressed] To Captain Thomas Barnsley of the first Royal American Battalion Fort Pitt

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* There is a copy at f. 317, not reproduced.

(August 17, 1762)

CAPT. ROBERT CALLENDER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 323, A. L. S.]

[August 17, 1762.]

Sir

As I am Sending out a large Cargo of Dry goods to Detroit this fall I must beg the favour of you to give me a Parmit to pass three Hogsheads of Spirits, and one of Wine, to Detroit for my Winters Store there, which Shall be for ever acknowleged Along with all other favours by

Your most Obed^{t} Hum^{l} Servt

ROB^{t} CALLENDER

August 17th 1762

P: S: I have made all Enquiry possible for A Suitable hand to raise hemp and hops for You but has got none as yet

Colonel Boquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt Callender Aug: 17th
Received the 25th 1762 Answered the 27th
[. . .] a Permit for three Hogshead Spirits & one Wine for Detroit refused

[Addressed] To Colonel Boquet Commander of the first Batalion of the Royal Americans At Pitt

(August 18, 1762)

LIEUT. FRANCIS GORDON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 325, A. L. S.]

[Venango, Aug. 18, 1762.]

Sir

I Receiv^{d} the favour of yours by ye Serj^{t} with 100 Sheep your Agreable Satisfatury Answer Concerning ye Canue &C^{t} gave me great Pleasure as to ye Doore & Gate of ye Fort I have examined ye Hinges in Store, they are too Small for that purpos, the Doore of ye Block house I think it would be necessary to Send a Hinge for it, it Hase only one hinge Above and one Iron pinttle in bottom that runes in the under part of ye frame of ye Doore which is here the Gate of ye breast work is not finished and I have no Carpenter in ye Garrison, I believe it is not of great concequence the breast work, is falling down and is not of great Serves as I have not men to Man it, there is no bolt for ye Doores I have leveled ye insid of ye ffortt and filled up ye vacanceys round ye block House, which Conveyed Watter into ye Sellor & Magazine the Serj^{t} I have got is no better then ane old Woman. keepes no Command, over ye Soldiers there is but five Mene or Six at most that is fite for ye Batto Serves the rest is Small not the strenth of a Cate they are eternally Grumling, and has desconted painted in there faces I have been Obliged to employ my Stick which is very desagreable to me, they have all wore out a p^{r} of Shoes that Came up by watter and is likely to wear out a great many with ye frequent expresses both up and doune, together with ye Batto Serves and truble with ye Indians I most think this post the hardest Duty on this Comunecation and require Stronge Stout Soldiers lik my last Garrison they have hinted Often that ye Granadiers has Rume at Fort Pitt and has not nay ye fatige and weres out lese necessary then they Do. I belive a very Small quantity of Rume would be great serves, as I am sertain the men would be helthey with it & flatered my Selfe that I Should be very happey weth my new Garreson but I am very Much desapoint^{d} and everything has a Glumee Aspect. The Warriers was here this Day Aplayed for Provision after they understude they Could get Any they Made Atempes on ye Sheep which was housed, they ware Detect^{d} they Afterwards before my very face Sesed one two horses of M. Pattersons and semed bent for Meschife I Soon Made them quit them and make there eskepe they met with the party from Le Boeufe felt there Napcecks for Provesions, found non

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and let them eskip without furder molestation I cane manage Sutch parties very well if there was no larger Came this way If my Garreson is at home I am extremely Sorree for Mr Guy's fate I hertely wish he was relived, it is a tender Point and I cannot say any more on that Subject, I am affrayed you will think me trublesome it is only to inform you of my situation that you May not expet more then I cane perform, I shuld be glad if you would Send me to Le Boeufe when Guy is relived it would be a Small Change I have sent ye Command from Le Boeufe by Watter as they have no Shoes is lame sume of them Sick I have no Batto at ye Garrison at Present I hope youl send me one soon I have keept Backer of Capt Gordons Compy and sent down Rocherey Wife and two Children which I had no way of mentaining hire I have great Plenty of Hay I got made in June and a Small Corne field, the Hay is mostly Clover I have a very good Garden everything in great Plenty grate quantitys of Potatose for all ye Garrison

I am
Your Most Obt Hble Sert

FRAs GORDON

Venango ye 18th Augt 1762

P: S: I belive a Smal quantity of Provisions given here to ye Indian Warriers would Satisfay them If it could be given them the last party Asked only for three loves of bread If they get never so large a quantity at ffort Pitt they expect sume here. I should be glade to have your Instructions how to behave next time they Come this way for I longe to be foule of them reather then be keept in hote watter.

F. GORDON

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut Gordon 18th August 1762 Received the 22d answered the 24th

[Addressed] On His Majestys Service To Coll: Henry Bouquet Commanding at Fort Fitt

(August 18, 1762)

COL. HENRY BOUQUET TO DAVID FRANKS

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 327, C.]

Fort Pitt the 18th August 1762

Coppy

Sir

I received yesterday your Letter of the 15th from Legonier With an Acct of the Stores at that Place which I am sorry is so unfavourable.

I have granted a Certificate for the wastage found here Since the 25th August 1761 The Deficiencys found before that time, having been laid by me before General Monckton last Year.

I send you likewise The original Report of the Court of Inquiry in regard to this last Survey at Legonier

I must require you to procure as soon as possible Waggons or horses to Carry about fifty thousand weight of the best Flour from Legonier to this Post before the Midle of November next As no Carriage Can be depended on after that time: Capt Ourry Will Inform you of the prices paid for Carriage in that station And if it was possible to pay the carriers in flour or Part I should think it a Great Saving to the Publick to save time you will desire Capt Ourry to give you a Coppy of the Warrant And opinion of the Court of Inquirry Concerning Bedford Sign'd by the Members and Mr Read, which you will lay before the General with the other two.

It is not Possible for me to fix the Price to be paid for the Carriage of the above Quaintity of Flour you will please to do it & in Conjunction with Captain Ourry at the Easiest Rate for the Crown.

I Inclose you two letters Came here for you, I have not time to Write to the Gentlemen with you but beg my Compliments to them

I am Sir
Your Obedient Servt Humble Servant

[no signature]

P S You will please to lay in store at Legonier for six months Salt Meat for thirty men Including What they have in Store And Supply them with fresh for this season

[Endorsed] Copy of a Letter to Mr David Franks The 18th August 1762

(August 19, 1762)

CAPT. GAVIN COCHRANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 328, A. L. S.]

New York August 19th 1762

Dear Sir

I am Sorry to inform you that I have had the misfortune to lose both my Servants, Andrew Fronheyser, & Christoph Brannon, last Sunday morning; they & Several other officers Servts All disappeared last Sunday morning, & Are Suspected to have gone On board the ship Privateer which sailed that morning. I have Advertized £ 5 for cash to be paid ~~for~~ by me besides the 20sh sterling to be paid by the Regiment; & Am resolve to prosecute the Master at his return for £ 80 sterling in terms of the Act of Parliament. they have taken nothing from None of us, & have left some of their own things. I am quite Ashamed to trouble you but would be much Obliged to you if you would send me my old friend Statsback As I have nobody to do Any thing for me & can get no body here I can trust. his wife prevented his being with me now. the sooner he sets out the better for me As you May imagine my Situation if the Doctors should think me fit to go I would meet him on the road & bring him back with me, but the good Appearances of recovery makes the Water gather more slowly & they say they cannot for sometime, till it is fuller, venture on Another Operation. I have desired them to do it Several times.

Colonel Amherst Sailed last monday on An expedition, to Newfoundland it is supposed, & takes in troops at Halifax & Lewisburg. he is A very good man & every body wishes him well. We wait impatiently for News from the Havannah

I am
Dear Sir
Your Obliged hublе Servt

GAVIN COCHRANE

Compliments to Barnsly, Carre, & all friends.

[Endorsed] Capt Cochrane August 19th 1762 Answ 26th Octr

(August 21, 1762)

LIEUT. JAMES DOW TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 329, A. L. S.]

[Niagara, Aug. 21, 1762.]

My Dear Collonel

I wrote you from Albany, as the General did not give me time to write from Newyork. I likeways wrote you from Ontario, which place I was detaind at from the 12th of July to the 1st August, I came hear the 4th And as I had wrote you for leave to go to Detroyit.

When Major Wilkins came to Ontario for this place, And as Capt. Etheringtons company was to go with Major Gladwine, I Sent here the Quntity for Detroyit with the compleate cloathing for that company, But there was only 50 Suits forwarded for Detroyit. I am Sorry to informe you the cloathing that was in the Bales were mucth Damaged; the Serjeants and Drums Cloathing I had put in a Suficient Cask which his received no damage, The Taylors are Closs at Works, But allow me to tell you our men, his mucth need to joyn you, sucth a change I never was witness to, And complaints and sucth Stories, I cannot express, Our New Major I hope will putt and end to this.

He whither in jest or earnest proposed keeping me here, On that I show'd him your letter; he Says he cannot Spare men for to go with me to Presquisle, I [desired] to return to Philadelphia which I beleive will be my readiest way to Joyn you, If I Should come that way youl please write me, If I am to bring with me the Cloathing for Fort Pitt The Major his not said a word to me about it, but if this is my Fate I shall bring from NYork the Cloathing that's there to Philadelphia, where I Shall be glad to find your orders, I have given you a great deall of trouble, but My Dear Collonel allow me to requeist on favour among the great many I have received from you, I have had the pleasure of Seeing my Son here. The poor Boy is in the greatest distress and Anxietie for to be at Fort Pitt under your own command, your ordering him there which will lay both me and him under the greatest Obligations to you.

There is here a Quantity of Spare cloathing Since last yeare, which I Shall bring you a return of with me, youll please give orders about them, As theres not a suficiency for the 700.

(August 21, 1762)

The Falls are very well worth Seeing I have Spoke to Maj^r Demler who is to Send you a Sketch of them after I pass Fort Stanwix I never saw sucth poor Ground on acker at Fort Pitt worth the whole. This is intyrly out of the world. all the Gentlemen desyres to be kindlie remembred to you and I am with greatest respect

My Dr Collonel
Yours

JAMES DOW

Niagara 21.st Aug.^st 1762

(August 21, 1762)

DAVID FRANKS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 331, A. L. S.]

Fort Bedford Aug.^st 21.st 1762.

Sir,

This morning your Esteem'd fav.^r of 19.th was handed to me, for which you have my Acknowledgements & Sincere thanks for the Certificate granted for the Wastage as Settled.

Wee Shall procure horses from hence to Carry Flowr to Ft Pitt from Ligoneer, & as Some the Flowr in this Magazine is much better then any above, wee shall I beleive Load the horses with it, Rather then they Shoud proceed empty, & ye Expence shall be done in ye most frugall Method, and if possible the payment made in Flowr, & will have it Carried at or before the time you request.

(August 21, 1762)

As wee Examine every Cask here, & have them to Remove to different Stores, it makes it tedi~~ti~~ous work, the Good, Middleing, & Bad being in Seperate Stores to prevent further Trouble hereafter I doubt if shall have finish'd our Work for 2 or 3 day's yett.

The Provissions Shall be Lay'd in at Ligoneer as you have order'd, & a fresh Supply Sheep is now on the Road for y^{t} Post & a Number hoggs shall be Sent upp in time.

one my Letters mentions that Genl Monckton had wrote a Letter to our house Acquainting he had nothing to doo now with this department, for which I'm very Sorry.

I believe wee may be Shure of 25 or 30 horses from hence, for The Carriage, people Still daily a Buying Flowr here, & when wee have finish'd The proper return's will be forwd'd to you.

the Bearer Waiting, I Conclude with great Resspect

Sir,
Y^{r} most oblig'd & ob^{t} Servt

DAV^{d} FRANKS

Capt Ourry & Co preSent These Compl^{s}

Coll^{l} Bouquett,

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mr D. Franks Bedford 21st August 1762 Received the 25th answered 16th Sep^{t} by Mr Ralfe

[Addressed] On his Majestys Serv^{e} To Coll^{o} Henry Bouquet Commanding at Fort Pitt

(August 22, 1762)

JAMES WRIGHT TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 333, A. L. S.]

[August 22, 1762.]

Respected friend

pursuant to thy request, I have made as particular an enquiry relating to those bones thow mention, as I possibly could, from two Sencible Shawanese Indians, assisted by an Interpreter, and the substance of what they Say is as follows -- the place where they lye is about 3 miles from the Ohio, Salt & moist, as well as I could Judge by their description of it seems to contain 30 or 40 acres, in the midst of a large Savannah, 4 days Journey Below the lower Shawanese town, on the east side of the River, that there appear to be the remains of 5 entire Sceletons, with their heads all pointing toward each other, and near together, Supposd to have fallen at the Same time: when they were desired to describe their several parts, they began with their heads, of which two were larger then the rest, One of these they said a man could but Just grasp in Both his arms, with a long nose, and the mouth on the under side they next mentiond the shoulder blade, which when set on end, reachd to their shoulders, and they were both tall men, what they calld the cuts for Socket, of this bone, was Equal in size to a large bowl, the thigh bone when broke off under, would admit of a little boy's creeping into it they were askd if they had seen those long bones they calld horns, they answerd they had, and by the distance from where they stood to the door, Showd them to be 10 or 12 feet long, and added that by the bones, they Judged the creature when alive must have been the Size of a Smal house, pointing from the window to a Stable in Sight; I askd them if the place where they lay was Surounded with mountains, so as to admit a probability of its ever having been a lake, they answerd, the place was Salt and wettish, and by having been much Trod & Licked, was something lower then the adjacent land, which however, which was so level to a prodigious extent, that the lick, as they calld it, could never have been coverd with water, and that there were many roads thro

John Bartram

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this extent of land, larger & more broken by Buffolas and other creatures, that had made them to go to it, then any Road they Saw in this part of the Country on being questiond if they had seen such bones in any other place, they said they had seen many Such Scattred here & there in that large tract of land mentiond before, some upon the surface, and some partly buried, but all much more decayd by time, then those they had been describing, and not any entire Sceleton; I askd if they had ever heard from their old men, when these 5 were first observd, or if they, or their fathers, had ever seen any such large creatures living, as these bones were supposd to have been apart of, they answerd they had never heard them spoken of, other then as in the condition they are at present, nor ever heard of any such creature having been seen by the oldest man, or his father -- that they had indeed a tradition, such mighty creatures, once frequented those Savannahs, that there were then men of a size proportionable to them, who used to kill them, & tye them in their hoppufsel, and throw them upon their Backs, as an Indian now dos a deer, that they had seen marks in rocks, which tradition said, were made by these great & Strong men, when they sate down with their Burthens, such as a man makes by sitting down on the Snow, that when there were no more of these strong men left alive, God Killd these mighty creatures, that they Should not hurt the present race of Indians, and added, God had Killd these last 5 they had been questioned about, which the interpreter said was to be understood, they supposd them to have been Killd by lightning -- these the Shawanese said were their traditions, and as to what they Knew, they had told it -- the man who Interpreted, was well aquainted with their language, and as I have Known him from a boy, I am confident he would do it faithfully. I shal be pleasd if what smal Information I have gain'd will be agreable to thee, and shal be glad to oblige thee at any time to the utmost of my power.

I am thy assured friend

JAMES WRIGHT

august 22th 1762

(August 23, 1762)

LIEUT. FRANCIS GORDON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 335, A. L. S.]

[Venango, Aug. 23, 1762.]

Sir

I Send you Inclosed the Returns of this Garrison for ye 24th Augt the Express Arrived hir from Le Boeufe with ye letters from Niagara ye 22^{d} I have forwarded them by a Soldear from Niagara belonging to Cap^{n} Cochran Com^{y} one Holstuck going to joine his Com^{y} at Fort Pitt. The Mingoes has Stole three or four Fine Horses from Mr Patterson the Indians Says that they ware bent upon Doing Mischife and that when they Past there Cabins they told them they wold have Skines & Horses from Pettersons Men that they would way lay them on ye Road which is ye reason they went by the way of Fort Pitt

I am
Sir
your most Obed^{t}. Humb^{le} Servant

FRA^{S} GORDON

Venango ye 23^{d} Augt 1762

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut^{t}. Gordon 23^{d} August Received the 24th 1762 Answered the 22^{d} Sept.

(August 24, 1762)

ENSIGN JOHN CHRISTIE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 336, A. L. S.]

Prisqu'Isle 24th Augt 1762

Sir

I receiv'd Yours dated the 5th Instt with the Saw &c.

I shall Send a Batteau to Sandusky, as Soon as the Men has got better, which will be Sufficient for this Season,

The Sickness we have hear is the fever & Ague, I have had it three Weeks, & Still bad with it.

I have Inclos'd this Months returns, I Shall take all the Care I can of Mr Pitchers Horse

I am
Sir
Your Most Humble & Obedt Servant

JOHN CHRISTIE

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Ens. Christie 24th August 1762 Received 1st Sept answered 22d

(August 26, 1762)

CAPT. DONALD CAMPBELL TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 339, A. L. S.]

Detroit 26 August 1762

Sir

I was favoured with your Letter of the 22d Instant. I did myself the honor to write you, Some time agoe by a Trader. Major Gladwin arrived here the 23d Instant with Capt. Ethrenington Lieuts Jamets and Jehu Hay. Informed you that the General had destined me to take Posts in Lake Superiour, but Major Gladwin has thought proper to keep me with himself, here, as he had that Power from the General. I made noe Choice, I hope Major Gladwin, will find less Difficultys in his Command than I have had. The vessel is arrived but brought only 40 Barrils of Provisions. There can be nothing moore done this Season, than to take Posts at St Marys. Capt Etherington goes to Command at Michillimakinac for the Winter -- and Lieut Jamets goes to St Marys, and the vessel is to proceed to Michillimakinac, tho She has got but litle Provisions on board. I Shall now be quiet happy if my Accompts ~~Were~~ were passed, I have been oblidged to make large Contractions for Provisions Batteau Men, &c As I have had noe Assistance given me, at least very litle Since I commanded at Detroit.

I gave noe orders to Officers at the Out Posts to make Presents, to the Indians, only to give them a litle Tobaco and Such Trifles of that kind when they came to Council, Indeed I have given but meer trifles to the Indians Since Sir William Johnstown left this

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Place tho I am Still of opinion, that ye Crown Should be at some Expence to keep the Indians in good humour till the fate of the Country is known. it may be done with more Oconomy, than what has been practised by Indian Manadgers; Lieut Jenkins and Ensign Holmes have purchased Provisions for Support of their Garrisons I believe their Accompts come pretty high. I have already mentioned to the General the Necessity Lieut Jenkins was under of making Presents to the Indians on our taking Possession of Ouiatanon, Soe I hope his Accompts will pass. The General puts a very great hardship on me to Certify these Gentlemens accompts;

I have communicated all Regimental orders to Major Gladwin, he has not had time to send the Monthly Return by this Oppertunity. I have been soe much hurried since the Majers Arrival, that I have not had time to make out the musters Rolls I am Surprised Capt Calunder did not deliver you, the dozen of Martin Skins I sent you, it would seem he had forgot them Give me leave to give you Joy of your Rank in the Army, I hope this is a good Step toward a Battalion,

I Am
Sir
With the greatest Respect
Your most obedient humble Servant

DONALD CAMPBELL

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt. Campbell 26 August 1762 Received 20th Sept.r by Mr Taffe answered the 21st.

(August 26, 1762)

LIEUT. THOMAS GUY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 337, A. L. S.]

Le Boeuff 26th Augst 1762

Sir

I am favoured with Your last & have inclosed A certificate for the Condemn'd Flower now in Store the rest of it I made use of in feeding The Sheep last winter & which had I been rightly Acquainted with the Managiment of a Store I should have taken care to have had it condemn'd in a proper manner. I never New before that I were to take Vouchers from such people that did not belong to the Garrison which I have neglected but shall take them for the futer

I am sorry to find the deficiency of Provisions in My Genl Account but, as I am conscious of no Injustice in the Issuing it, I hope you will be convinced it proceeded only from the want of keeping a regular acct & am fully perswaded the Issuings mut have been larger than what I have given myselfe credit for & humbly request you will represent the Case in as favourable a manner to the Commissary Generall As it will admit of but submit it intirely to your own discrection

I must not omit My Acknowledgment for Your kind Advice in Your last Letter which I shall indeavour to follow & shall always retain a greatefull acknowledgement of the same

I have inclosed to you the returns for the twenty fourth I received only 48 Sheep one were lost on the Road & one died. Since My last returns I have found defitiencey's in three Barrels of Flower one only weighed 166 One 195 & one 200 I weighed it out in small weights I coud not do other ways as the Stillards were small The Barrels have been repacked which I believe is the reason of there being defitiencey I thought it proper to acquaint you of it in time

I am
Sir
Your Most Obedt Humble Servant

T. GUY.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut. Guy 26th August 1762 Received the 1st 7ber.

(August 28, 1762)

LIEUT. ALEXANDER BAILLIE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 341, A. D. S.]

Return of the Weight of the Cloathing, Arms, Accoutrements, Ammunition, Provision, Necessary's &C^a of a Grenadier, upon a March.

Augt 28th 1762

	Weight	
	lbs.	Q^rs
A Regimental Coat, with Hooks, Eyes, &c^a - - - - -	5.	2.
Waistcoat - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	2.	1.
Pair of Breeches - - - - - - - - - - -	1.	2.
Hat with cockade, Button, Loop, & Hair String	1.	--
A Shirt with Sleeve Buttons - - - - - - - - - - - -	1.	--
A Stock with a Buckle. A Pair Knee Buckles. A Pair Stocking & Garters - - - - - - - - - - - - -	--	3.
A Pair Shoes with Buckles - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	1.	2.
A Regimental Firelock, with a Sling & Buckle Hammer Cap & Stopper - - - - - - - - -	11.	1.
A Waist Belt with a Buckle - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	--	2.
A Hanger, Sword Knot, and Scabbord - - - - - - - - -	2.	3.
A Bayonet and Scabbord - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	1.	1.
A Tomahawk, and Cover - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	1.	3.

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	lbs.	qrs
A Cartridge Pouch with Belt, Buckles, & Match Case	3.	--
Containing 24 Cartridges - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	2.	1.
Brush & Wire, Worm, & Turnkey. Oyl Bottle & Rag. 2 Flints, & a Steel. - - - -	--	1.
A Knapsa[ck] with Strap, and Buckles - - - - - - - -	1.	2.
Containing 2 Shirts. 2 Stocks. 2 Pair Stockings. - - - - - - - - - - - -	2.	3.
A Pair Summer Breeches - - - - - - - - - -	1.	1.
A Pair Shoes - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	1.	1.
A Clothes Brush, pair Shoe Brushes, & Black Ball - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	1.	--
A Pair Leggins & Garters A Handkerchief - - - - - - - - - - - -	1.	1.
2 Combs, a Knife, & Spoon - - - - - - - -	--	2.
A Haversack, with a Strap - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	--	3.
Containing Six Days Provisions - - - - - - - - - - - -	10.	1.
A Blanket with Strap & Garters - - - - - - - - - - -	3.	2.
A Canteen with a String, & Stopper, full of Water -	3.	1.
	63.	3.

A BAILLIE
L.t 1st Batt. R. A. R.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Weight carried by a soldier in America upon a March

(August 30, 1762)

LIEUT. FRANCIS GORDON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 342, A. L. S.]

[Venango, Aug. 30, 1762.]

Sir

I Bege leve to truble you with this to Aquaint you that ye Bearer the Sheep Draiver was Not Detained here Onley on Day going up and Another Comming from Le Boeufe the Creek is rising but ~~it~~ is not navigable yet. I longe Much to here from Fort Pitt

I am
Sir
Your Most Humble Ser^{t}

FRA^{S} GORDON

Venango ye 30th Augt 1762

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lt Gordon 30th Aug
Received 1st Sept 1762 Answered 22^{d} Sept

(August 31, 1762)

DAVID FRANKS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 345, A. L. S.]

Carlisle Aug.st 31.st 1762.

Sir,

I am thus Farr down on my Way home,

Yesterday Wee Examind the Stores at this post, & the provissions turns out as ye Acct Return's now inclos'd, The Best I think is but indefferent, The others in a State to be Comdemn'd;

I find Fleming yett here not haveing Recd any Disspatches for goeing upp, So that beettween Two Generalls I fear you are forgott,

Mr Shamson now goes upp, that you may now give him wht orders or directions you may think proper regarding Cattle, &c.

I have Sent Capt Ourry wht New's I cd collect & to be forwd to you, but a paper of the last publication is Sent to Mr Trent fro whom you will See a full Acct of wht doeing at the Havanah, I cd not gett any of that date, if meett with any New's [sapply's] on the Road Shall Send it upp,

With greatest Resspect

I am
Sir
Yr most oblidged hble Servt

DAVID FRANKS

My Complemts To the Mess, I advise them never to Cross the 3 hills in hott weather tiss a Shocking Road,

Collo Bouquett,

[Endorsed] Mr D. Franks Carlisle 31st Aug Answered 16th Sept 1762

(September 1, 1762)

LIEUT. ARCHIBALD BLANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 346, A. L. S.]

Ligonier Sep^{t} 1st 1762

Sir

After a Stay at Bedford, far beyond my Expectation when I went down, I got here on Sunday; however the length of my stay has had no bad consequence to the Service Limes left this Yesterday with twenty three load of Flour, 15 from Bedford 8 from this he seems to think the price too small, but that you'll settle with him.

The Hunting season being now come in, wont you perform your promise (to come here for some time)

Inclosed I send you the Monthly Returns of this & Stony Creek; I wish you would send me 8 or 10 Bullocks that I might fatten them against you come

till then I am
Sir
Your most Obed^{t} H. Servt

A BLANE

P. S. I give you Joy of Mrs Phillips

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lt Blane 1st Septr 1762
Answ^{d} the 7th

[Addressed] To Col^{l} Bouquet

(September 4, 1762)

CAPT. GEORGE ETHERINGTON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 348, A. L. S.]

Detroit 4th September 1762.

Dear Coll.

At my leaving Niagara I had the pleasure of writing you, in answer to yours by Mr Pitcher.

I have given Bounty to the five Men hereafter mention'd and have enclos'd their receipts and Certificates to Captain Barnsley -- they are to serve for three years or during the present War.

I was in hopes to have gone in the Schooner to Michilimaknica but the Master of her who has been sounding Lake St Clair is return'd, and says there is not water enough to Get the Vesel into the River Huron; so that I leave this to morrow in Bateaux.

I am
Dear Coll.
Your most obedient and very Humble Servant

GEO: ETHERINGTON

Coll. Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt. Etherington Detroit 4th Sept. 1762

Mens Names of Captain Etherington's Company who's times were out & have received Bounty money to serve for three years or during the War.

	Newyork Currency
Ladwick Stone	£ 4 16
George Peightal	3 10
Michel Walter	3 10
Jacob Lamptin	3 10
John Swearings	3 10
	£ 18 16

Detroit 4 Sept. 1762.

GEO: ETHERINGTON

(September 4, 1762)

DAVID FRANKS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 350, A. L. S.]

Lancaster Sepr 4th 1762.

Dear Sir,

I Sincerely Rejoyce with you on the great & good New's now inclos'd, which Came to hand Last Night, off which I directly procured a Coppy, which I Sent to Capt Ourry to be forwd'd to you, with ye Last papers, Which will allso be Sent you; Since which the printed Acc^{t} Came to me fr^{o} the printer himself, which I Send fearing the other may be wore out in Reading, before it Reaches you, the Vessell y^{t} bro^{t} ye Good Intilligence had but 11 day's passage to phil^{a} Our Govern^{t} tells me Major Gates has a Majority; in an old Regim^{t}, & £ 500, My Family being here detaind me a few day's but shall be at phil^{a} on tuesday, from whence as oppy's offer Shall Communicate you w^{t} New's Occurs. My Complem^{ts} to ye Gentlemen whom I Congratulate on ye news. & with Ressp^{t}

Sir,
Y^{r} most ob^{e} Servt

DAV^{d} FRANKS

Coll^{o} Bouquett,

[Endorsed] Mr Franks 4th Septr 1762

(September 8, 1762)

ENSIGN H. C. PAULI TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 351, A. L. S.]

Sandusky Sep^{tm} 8th 1762

Sir

I inclose the Provision Return, likewise a Report of the Detagement, the men are most all taken with the fiver.

I Send a Paquet of Letters wich received when at Detroit. Major Gladvin, Capt Edrington and his Company are arived all at Detroit Captn Campbell I understud is to remain still at Detroit and Capt Edrington to go further.

Nothing Extraordinairy

Sir
I am
Your most obediant Humble Servant

H C PAULI En^{s}

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mr Pauly Septr 8 Received by Mr Täffe the 20th 1762 answered the 21st

(September 10, 1762)

CAPT. RUDOLPH BENTINCK TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 352, A. L. S.]

London the 10th Sepr 1762.

My Dear Colonel

I will not neglect this first Opportunity of Mr Duche's returning to America, to acquaint You with my Safe Arrival in England the 4th Instant; after a passage of Six Weeks.

When I came here, I found all my Friends were in the Country, and Consequently was much at a loss what to do with myself. The first Step I took, was to apply to Some of the most eminent Poeple belonging to the Faculty who with the assistance of a Ginea Each, gave it as their Oppinion, that it is absolutely necessary, I Should have an opperation made upon the Tonsels of my Throat, which without it, might Soon become dangerous. After this I went to Bulstrode 22 miles from hence, to See the Duchess of Portland, and Her Family, where I was received with the Usual Affection they always professed for me; and much pressed to Spend Some time with Them there, Which however I chose to decline at this time; the more So as the present Duke is the North of Scotland, and therefore Nothing to be done. I have wrote to Mr de Rhoon, and only wait for his Answer, to go and See my Friends in Holland, and put myself under the Hands of Professor Albinus: As Mr Townsend has told me there will be no difficulty in obtaining leave. This, besides other advantages, will have that, of Occonomy, to which I find myself forced a good deal at present through the extravagant way of living I was ingaged in at Halifax, in order to ingratiate myself in the Esteem, and good will of the officer of the Regt: However as I have Succeeded in that point to the utmost of my wishes, I can not be much dissatisfied with what I have done; tho at a vast Expence; and must only flatter myself, a trip to Holland will put all to Right again: I had the pleasure of Seeing Yesterday Mr Calcraft, who told me, that as the Gentleman, Sent over to Settle the accounts of the Royal American Regiment, had almost finished

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them, He imagined their arrears would be paid very Soon, which I Suppose will not be disagreeable to Those Concerned, and it has given me infinite Satisfaction, for reasons I need not mention, nor Can think off without Concern.

As a Peace Seems to be at Hand, I dont despair of having Soon the Satisfaction of Seeing you in this part of the world, Convinced that you must be heartily tired of your present Situation, And Could my most Sincerest wishes prevail My Dear Colonel, there would be an End to all your desires, and most pleasing Expectations, through an immediate accomplishment of them all.

I Shall take the liberty to write you again, after my arrival in Holland, and will give you the best account in my Power of all your Friends there: I also propose Continuing to do the Same from time to time as long as your most obliging Disposition will permit me: And your Unbounded Goodness, and Friendship I have experienced for these Six years past, flatters me even with the pleasing Prospect of the Continuance of your Correspondence, which will always afford me infinite Satisfaction: as likewise every Opportunity of assuring you; how Sensible I am of the value of a Real Friend: and of the Sincerest Gratitude and Respect with which I Shall be as long as I live.

My Dear Colonel
Your most obedient, and obliged Humble Servant.

RUDOLPH BENTINCK.

P: S: I have inclosed a note, one Summerfield of your Company has intrusted me with, which may perhaps be of Some Service to the Poor man. Please to remember me to all Friends.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt. Bentinck 10th Septr 1762 Answd 27th Jany 1763

(September 12, 1762)

LIEUT. ARCHIBALD BLANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 354, A. L. S.]

Ligonier Sept.r 12.th 1762

Dear Sir

I received your favour of the 7.th yesterday. The Indians seem very well satisfied with what I gave them. Had I not been with Mr Franks, when he received your order for victualling this place, he would have starved me, for he would have sent nothing but Pork. However, I convinced him you meant all kinds of Provisions,

I hope after the arival of the Express I shall soon have the pleasure to shew you, how expert Stump is at bringing Ducks out of the Creek.

I have a Letter from Capt. Curry this Night, which gives me information of Bennet's being at Holmes, I've sent two men from Stony Creek (his Garrison being unfit) to bring him here (if possible). I'll send what Baggs I can to Bedford as I hope some time or other to eat of the good Flour with you.

Sir
I am
Most sincerely
Your most Obed.t H. Serv.t

ARCHI.d BLANE

P: S: I gave Hugh Henry leave for 8 Days, to go to Pitt but tho' it is now above 16 I hear nothing of him.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut.t Blane Sept.r 12.th
Received the 14.th answered the 16.th 1762

(September 19, 1762)

LIEUT. FRANCIS GORDON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21643, f. 356, A. L. S.]

[Venango, Sept. 19, 1762.]

Sir

Since I wrot you last, a party of 36 Mingo Warriers at this Post Arived ye 7th Instant, They According to Custom Aplayed for Provesions, which I Refused, Telling them I had Non, they produce^d a Certificat from under Mr Craghans hand, that they ware good friends to ye Inglish, They Said that they ware told at Fort Pitt there was three Batto loads of Provision gone to Venango, and that whenever they Shewd me the writing of Mr Craghans they would get what Provisions they ~~they~~ wanted. they Said it was My fault, and that I told them lies, I had Sheep Enoufe, they Stayed four hours, and was goin, to encampe at ye back of ye Gardon, they went into ye Corn field Said I must give them Corn or they must take it for they had not Eate Any thing for Three days. I gave them A litle and I got them to Decampe After I had Suthed them up with all ye Roterick I was Master of They told ye Delawars that I shude Not Stay longe here that they would Come Soon and burn the Fort, in this Agreeable Situation I had only Eight Men Able to Carrie Armes five was gon to Le Boeufe and four Sick in bed.

There was A Mingo encamped a Small Distance from ye Fort, who had Stole a Riffle from Patterson Sume time Ago Mr Wilkies Man being informed by ye Indians that ye Indian had it with him, without leting me kno Any thing of his Design he went and took it from him. Sume time After I heard of it and Secured ye Riffle untill I Advised you of his behesviour the Indian was Much Inraged blaming me for it. Mr Wilkie Came hire ye 12th Instant with a Conceelerable quantity of goods and was So Made to bring up 50 Gallons of Rume, very lukie for him and me Non of ye Indians knoes Any thing of it, on its Arivale I had every Drop of it, put into ye Kings Store, where it will remain, untill your furdor Orders Concerning it, he told me he had brought it up for ye use of ye Garrison, He is ane ignorant Sillie Mane I belive him to have no Designe to Sell it to ye Indians. Joseph Dunfin of Q: Gordons Com^y Deserted ye 12th Instant Carreing with him his Armes a Horse of Mr Wilkies About five pounds of ye mens Necessarys and Catriges.

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He was followed by two of Wilkies Young men on horses they Could Not Come up with him he was Seen by the Indians fifty Mills from this on Pattersons Road with ye things Mentioned The Garrison has been very Sickly but are now geting well

I am
Sir
Your Obedient Humble Serv^tt

FRA^s GORDON

Venango ye 19th Sepr 1762

P: S the Indian has been teasing me About his Canue

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut. Gordon 19th Sept 1762 Answ^d the 22^d

[Addressed] On His Majestys Service To Colonel Henry Bouquet Command^g at Fort Pitt

(September 22, 1762)

THE MEMORIAL OF MESSRS. BAYNTON & WHARTON

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 358, N. S.]

[Philadelphia, Sept. 22, 1762]

To the Honorable Colonel Henry Boquet Esqr Commandant At Fort Pitt &^c The Memorial Of Baynton & Wharton, of the City of Philadelphia, Merchants, most humbly Sheweth.

THAT Whereas Your Memorialists in November --- 1760 Sold unto Michael Teaffe, late of York County, in the Province of Pennsylvania, a Quantity of Goods, suitable for the Indian Trade, to the Amount of, Six hundred & One pounds, four Shillings & one penny, that Currency.

(September 22, 1762)

THAT the said Michael Teaffe Gave Them his Bond for the same, payable the first day of June 1761

THAT instead of his paying Your Memorialists the said Sum of Money, at the Time Stipulated, He has not Vouchsafed Even to Answer their repeated Letters to him, But from the time he purchas'd the Aforesaid Goods He has been trading at Pittsburg, & other places, beyond the Limits of the Province.

THAT they are from undoubted Authority Assur'd, that He paid Messrs Simons & Comp^{y}, the Skins & furs which He obtain'd from the Effects, had of your Memorialist's, & that He hath ever since been supply'd with Goods, from s^{d} Simons & Comp^{y}; and pays unto them, all the Skins & furs, which He collects -- Whereby Your Memorialist's, have for a long Time been most unjustly detain'd from their Demand -- Wherefore with the utmost Respect, They would beg leave to remonstrate to your Honor, that their Demand against the Afs^{d} Mr Teaffe, is for a Bond, Actualy given for A Considerable Time, before He dealt with the said Messrs Simons & Comp^{y} & that Unless You shall be pleas'd to exert Your Authority, to oblige him to do Your Memorialist's Justice, They much fear they Shall Undoubtedly suffer the Amount of his Obligation; As He trades beyond the Jurisdiction of the Civil Magistrate, and withal can be supply'd with what Indian Goods He wants at Pittsburg, Wherefore Your Memorialists flatter Themselves, that You'll not Suffer any place under Your Command, To remain as an Assylum, for a person who Evidently indicates a Design to defraud his Creditors, But that You will be pleas'd, As one of us hath in another Instance, lately & happily experienced, To Compell him to do us Justice & Your Memorialist's will, Ever, as Gratitude demands of them, acknowledge Your generous & kind Interposition in their Behalf.

BAYNTON & WHARTON

Philadelphia, Septem^{r} 22^{d} 1762.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] The Memorial of Messrs Baynton & Wharton

(September 22, 1762)

BAYNTON & WHARTON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 360, A. L. S.]

Philad.a Sept.r 22d 1762.

Sir

We have not the Honor of a personal Accquaintance with you, As an Apology, for our presuming to trouble you with an Affair, that Solely relates to Ourselves. Therefore, our Friends William Allen Esq.r, and Doctor Lauchlin McLeane Are by the inclos'd Letters kind enough to introduce us to you, & to request, That you will be pleas'd to interest Yourself, in the subject matter of the within Memorial. We are inform'd by several, whom We supply with Goods, to trade with the Indians, That unless, We could oblige Mr Teaffe to pay us, when his peltry's, arrive at Pittsburgh; Our Debt is in the greatest Jeopardy; Wherefore We have sent Mr Robeson, the Bearer, Express, for that Purpose, & have authoriz'd him, by a power of Attorney, To recieve payment from him, Either in Money, or Skins & furs, and if in the Latter to Allow him the highest Prices, given at Pittsburg for Them. We have order'd Mr Robenson to lay before You, Mr Teaff's Bond, that you may have an Opportunity of seeing our debt was contracted for and became due, Even before He commenc'd any Dealings, with Mess.rs Simons & Comp.y

You'll be pleas'd Sir, to pardon the Trouble which necessarily arises from our request; Which be assur'd, We should not have presum'd to ask; Had We not had so large a Sum of Money, owing to us, By a person, Who has remov'd with his Effects, so distant from the Controul of Civil Authority; As to Necessitate us, to make our humble Application to you for redress.

Should you any time, have Occasion for any thing, which this City affords, It will give us great pleasure to execute your Commands and to have an Opportunity of evincing Ourselves to be with the greatest Gratitude & Respect

Sir
Your most oblig'd, & most h.ble Serv.ts

BAYNTON & WHARTON

To the Hon.ble Col. Henry Boquet Esq.r

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mess.r Baynton & Wharton 22.d Sept.r 1762. Received by Mr Robinson the 1.st October Answered the 5th

(September 22, 1762)

WILLIAM ALLEN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 362, A. L. S.]

philad.a Sept.br 22nd 1762

Dear Sir

My near relation Mr Haynton desires me to intreat your friendship in an affair that he has to transact in or near Pitsburg.

The case, as he tells me, is shortly thus, one Michal Taaf owes him and Mr Warton a large sum of money, which they conceive to be precarious, for which reason they send up the bearer Mr Robinson to indeavor to secure it. I therefore request you would be so kind as to afford him your Countenance and protection. I depend on your goodness to excuse this freedom and beg leave to assure you that your favor herein will conferr a great obligation on

Sir
Your Affectionate Friend & Most Obedient Humble Servant.

WILL: ALLEN

P. No doubt you have from other friends frequent accounts what is stirring, however I think that an extract from our Mutual friend Mr Watts's letter to me will not be disagreable, which I here inclose you as also this day's N. Y. Gazzette.

To Coll Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] William Allen Esqr 22d Septr 1762. Received 1st October Answd the 5th

(September 23, 1762)

CAPT. GEORGE CROGHAN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 364, A. L. S.]

Sepr 23^{d} 1762

Dr Sir

the Limets of ye Land ye Indians gave Me begins att ye Narrows above My house & Down ye River to ye two Mile Run & up ye Run to the Heads thereof & from thence a Line to Strike ye Six Mile Run So a Long ye Six Mile Run to the forks thereof then A Line to Strike ye Narrows att begining.

you May Dispose of any part you plese & to whome you plese that May be of any Service to ye fort or publick & I think if a Garisson Could be found to build a Mill itt Might Do well Butt I have No opinion of Monday, he thinks itt hard to Grind 200 Bushells free for ye garrison

I am
S^{r} y^{r} Most Humble Servant

GEO: CROGHAN

[Addressed] To Henry Boquet Esqr Coll. of Fort Commanding att Fort Pitt

(September 23, 1762)

CAPT. DONALD CAMPBELL TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 366, A. L. S.]

Detroit 23^{d} Sep^{tbr} 1762

Sir

I did myself the honor to write you after Major Gladwins Arrival, at this place, But you will know before now, that Major Gladwin has not accepted of the Majority and that Major Wilkins is appointed to it. Major Gladwin is to continue to command this department; The General acquaints me he has given him full Power to build Batteaus call for Ammunition from Niagara and every Thing that is wanted to carry on the Service. We expect the other vessel from Niagara ~~with~~ with 400 Barrils of Provisions, if by by any accident She does not come, we Shall have the Same Difficultys to Support the Troops as formerly.

(September 23, 1762)

I have the honour to inclose you a Return of the Detachment, under Major Gladwins Command. I have likewise Sent the Muster Rolls made out as directed.

I have not as yet Received Returns from all the Posts of the Mens time of Service, None of those here, who are entitled to their discharges Seem willing to reinlist.

We have received the Cloathing for the Detachment they are much Spoiled. There are two Serjeants Cloathing, and four Privates wanted to compleat the Detachment. The Serjeants and Drummers wants the Cloathing of last year.

I Shall Send to releive Serjeant Steyner at St Josephs in a few days, and Shall order him to Fort Pitt, I am to inlist a Man in his Place.

I am very busy in making up my Accompts which came very hi~~g~~gh, tho I have carryed on the Service, with the outmost Oconomy. and as for myself, My financs are much lower than when I came to Detroit. I have not as yet mentioned any Thing of MySelf to the General. but now when Bussines is over, I beleive I shall begin, tho perhaps he may think of me.

I am Sorry that it has not been in my Power to procure you the Peltry you wanted, tho I hope to get some for you in the Spring.

Detroit affords nothing new we are very happy in a Commandant, Sir Robert Davers is here and passes the Winter With Us, I hare they will allow you to take a Jaunt down the Country this year. I would take it as a favour you would mention me to Collonel Prevost when you write him, and desire him, et qu'il aura La bonté de donner de mes nouvelles a Mon^{sr} le Collonel Mackay Son Beau pere.*

I am with the Greatest Respect
Dr Sir
Your most obedient humble Servant

DONALD CAMPBELL

Major Gladwin desires his Compliments to you he Says he wrote you from Niagara

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt Campbell 23^{d} September 1762 Answered the 11th Octr

* [Translation] to be good enough to give his father-in-law, Colonel Mackay, news of me.

(September 24, 1762)

LIEUT. JEHU HAY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 368, A. L. S.]

Detroit September the 24th 1762.

Sir

As you have undoubtedly hear'd that there is not Water enough in Lake St Clair to carry the Vessels through to Lake Huron, I flatter myself the inclos'd Copy of a sketch of that Lake taken by Mr Brehm, will not be disagreeable: especially as you will see the great difference between the depth of the Water at the Time Mr Brehm sounded it, and what it is at present, as sounded by Captn Robinson of the Schooner Huron, the third and fourth Instant; which it is suppos'd must be caus'd by some moving Sand Banks, and not, by the falling of the Water as some imagine; for notwithstanding the Water in the upper Lakes ebbs (as we are inform'd) for Seven Year successively, and is as long aflowing; yet the greatest difference that has been known in the depth of the Water here, has not exceeded five feet. The red figures in the Sketch are Fathoms, as sounded by Mr Brehm, the black ones are feet as sounded by Captn Robinson. The sand Barrs which are two or three Miles in the Lake runs in the direction of the small Figures. As Mr Brehm and Captn Robinsons Compasses dont agree I have mark'd them both: the White one is Mr Brehms, the black one Captn Robinsons

The Scale I have somehow or other lost, but believe it to be about six or seven Miles to an Inch. This Sketch is the same with the one that went to the General, with this difference. The Generals had no red figures, nor but one Compass and that was Captn Robinsons.

I shoud have done my self the pleasure of writing to you immediately after the Lake was sounded but I had not an oppertunity.

I am
Sir
With great respect
Your most obidient Servant

JEHU HAY

Coll. Boquet.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut. J. Hay 24th Septr 1762 Answered the 11th Octr

[Addressed] To Collonel Boquet at Fort Pitt

(September 24, 1762)

ENSIGN JOHN CHRISTIE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 370, A. L. S.]

Prisqu'Isle 24th Sept. 1762

Sir

I have, inclos'd the returns for this Month -- About the begining of it. I sent a Batteau to Sanduskie wt twelve Barrls of Provision, Eight of Flower, and four of Pork, as mentioned in the return the Batteau return'd Wednesday last.

I must put you in mind of the Nails, as the are much wanted. Capt. Schlosser, brought with him from Fort Pitt a Cask, but as they were his Own, took them to Niagara, I am to Send a Batteau to Niagara, for the last trip this Season, about three Weeks after this date.

The Sick Mention'd, are getting better,

I am
Sir
Your Most Obedt. Humble Servant

JOHN CHRISTIE

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Ensign Christie 24th Septr. 1762 Answd the 9th by Ensign Price

(September 24, 1762)

LIEUT. ARCHIBALD BLANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 333, A. L. S.]

Ligonier Septr 1762

Sir

Inclosed is the Monthly Returns for this Place & Stony Creek -- the last of which places (I believe) is returned by Capt Ourry also, I should therefore gladly know, if there is any Occasion for my returning it hereafter.

About ten days agoe I Sent to Bedford, 50 empty Baggs, should you think them not sufficient, I can send more.

What do you think will become of the Spaniards, should the War continue many years, & we be as successfull every Year as the first? But (I fancy) we shall have a Peace this Winter (with the Spaniards at least) It would have been worth our while to have been at the Havanah, where both Glory & Profit has been so aboundant. However, I hope there's some of both still in reserve for the 1st Battalion.

I am
Sir
Your most Obed^t & most H. Servt

ARCHI^d BLANE

For Col^l Bouquet

P. S. I should be glad to know, if the Man who takes care of Capt Thomson's Cattle at his Post is entitled to prov^s

A B

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut^t Blane 24th Septr 1762 Received by Capt Callender the 27th d^o Answered the 29th

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CAPT. JOHN SCHLOSSER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 371, A. L. S.]

Niagara le 25 7ber 1762

Monsieur Et tres honoré Colonel!

Je saisis l'occasion du Capt: Mr Ecuyer, pour Vous mander que je suis de retour depuis avanthier de mon Voyage au Pais, je n'ai pas été plus bas qu' Albany & ne me Suis arreté chez Sir Wm Johnson que le temps qu'il me falloit pour conclure le marcher dela Plantation, J'ai été lavoir & latrouve fort à ma fantasie, elle a une mile & demi defront Sur la Riviere Mohauck 14 Miles plus haut que le fort Johnson & une Mile de profondeur du coté dela Campagne, tout ce terrain est bas, uni & aux environ 60 ackers tant Preries que terre labourable tout netoyés & Sans un seul tronc, le reste est sur une montagne escarpée mais uni, a le meme front & deux miles de profondeur tout en bois, le tout ensemble fait aux environ 1000 ackers, & me coutera 900 Pounds de york, il n'y a point d'habitation dessus, mais il y auroit lieu de battir un moulin, Si on vouloit faire une Ecluse, je puis arroser les Preries quand je veu & les avoir Seches egalement Suivant le besoin, il y a outre celà 3 sources pour l'usage dela maison & un ferry sur la Riviere, les deux bords dela Riviere Sont habités & les terres cultivées derriere la Plantation & sur la montagne il y a un gros Village Village & dans le Voisinage toutes Sortes de Moulins, il ne S'agit apresent, que d'avoir de l'argent pour en prendre Possession Car elle est louée a un autre fermier, qui seroit bien aise de la garder leplus longtemps qu'il pourroit; Je suis Surprit, de n'avoir pas recû la moindre nouvelle de Mr Carre à l'Egard dela Permission qu'il doit avoir fait demander au General Amherst; la Saison avance et si une fois je reste ici jusqu'au mois de 9ber je ne saurois plus bouger, parceque la Communication jusque la sera entierrement fermee & Si la chose etoit terminee jusquau 24 Xber, je serois alors obligè devivre a mes propres depens et si elle n'etoit pas terminée il faudroit je crois fixer le temps au 24 avril de l'annee prochaine; La chose seroit faite bien vite, si ce n'etoit pas pour le 100 Liver Sterling de difference, car il n'y auroit qu'a ecrire au General & lui envoyer la Resignation & il feroit le reste. Je vous serois infiniment obligé d'en parler a Mr Carre & m'honnorer d'un mot de Reponse aussitot possible parceque jedois ecrire à Sir Wm Johnson, et s'il s'agiroit d'avoir ma Resignation par ecrit, de

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m'envoyer un model, Je Suis faché de vous causer tant depeine, mais je ne saurois rien faire Sans vos Conseils & votre assistance. On debitte ici que le Capt: Barnsley est Scalpé parles Indiens, je serois bien fache quil fut vray, outre que je crains, qu'il ne pourroit pas être vray, Sans nous causer dela perte.

Je nedoute pas, que vous ne seussiez que le Major Gladwin est retransferé dans l'Infanterie legere & le Major Wilkins dans notre Battaillon.

Je vous joins ici une lettre du General Amherst, que j'ai oublie de Vous envoyer avec ma derniere, vous verrez qu'il S'agit de deux Deserteurs pardonnés dont il n'y a que Holstock d'arrivé, je lai envoyé par la Presqu'Isle a sa Compagnie, avec le decompte des depences qu'il a causé; & ladate du jour qu'il doit rentrer dans les Effectifs Pour l'autre il est deserté de rechef de Mr Dow à 6 Miles du Royal Blockhous sur le lac Oneyda.

J'ai l'honneur d'etre avec Respect
De mon Colonel
Le très humble et très obeissant Serviteur

J: SCHLÖSSER:

[Endorsed] Capt. Shlosser 25th Sept.r 1762 Received by Capt. Ecuyer the 16th Nov.r

[TRANSLATION]

Niagara, Sept. 25, 1762.

Sir, and most honored Colonel!

I take advantage of Captain Ecuyer to inform you that I returned day before yesterday from my trip to the country. I did not go further down than Albany and stopped at Sir William Johnson's only long enough to conclude the purchase of the plantation. I have been to see it and found it greatly to my taste. It has a mile and a half frontage on the Mohawk River, 14 miles above Fort Johnson, and extends one mile into the country. All this land is low and level with about 60 acres of meadows and arable land all cleared without a single stump. The rest is on a steep but even mountain

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with the same frontage and with a depth of two miles all wooded. Altogether, there are about a thousand acres which will cost 9000 pounds York. There is no house on it, but there should be a place to build a mill. If one wanted to make a mill-dam, I could water the meadows or not as needed. There are besides three springs for household use and a ferry on the river. Both banks of the river are inhabited and the ground cultivated back of the plantation and on the mountain there is a large village and in the neighborhood all kinds of mills. The only thing now is to have the money and take possession, as it is rented to another farmer, who would be very glad to keep it as long as he could. I am surprised not to have received any news at all from Mr. Carre regarding the leave for which he was to have asked General Amherst. The season is advancing and if I remain here until the month of November I shall not be able to leave, as the communication will be entirely closed by that time; and if the affair is settled before the 24th of December, I should then be forced to live at my own expense; and if it were not terminated, I should, I think, have to set the time for April 24 of the following year. The affair could be very quickly settled if it were not for the difference of 100 pounds sterling, as it would be only necessary to write to the General, send him the resignation, and he would do the rest. I would be infinitely obliged if you would speak of it to Mr. Carre and honor me with a word of reply as soon as possible because I ought to write to Sir William Johnson; and if it is necessary to send a written resignation, please send me a form. I am sorry to cause you so much trouble, but I should not know what to do without your advice and assistance.

It is rumored here that Captain Barnsley was scalped by the Indians. I should be very sorry if it were true, besides which I am afraid that it cannot be true without causing us loss.

I do not doubt that you know Major Gladwin has been re-transferred to the light infantry and Major Wilkins to our battalion.

I am enclosing a letter from General Amherst that I forgot to send you in my last. You will see that it is a question of two pardoned deserters. Of the two only Holstock arrived. I sent him through Presque Isle to his company, with an account of the expense he has caused, and the date of the day he is to re-enter the service. As for the other he deserted Mr. Dow again 6 miles from the Royal Blockhouse on Lake Oneida.

I have the honor to be with respect,
My Colonel's
Most humble and most obedient servant,

J. SCHLOSSER

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MAJOR J. WILKINS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 375, A. L. S.]

Fort Niagara 25 Sepr 1762

Sir

I have sent you inclos'd the monthly returns of the 2 Companies present, and off the Detachment from the other Comp^s I am told that you receive the Returns of the men at the Detroit &c by Sandoski

Capt Ecuyer has Orders from The Generals Gage & Murray to joyn you by way of presquIle, he will inform you of our Situation at this place

Lieu^t Pfister at Fort Stanwix writes to Lieu^t Demler at this place that Capt Barnsley was lately killed by some Indians. I hope it is not true.

I did myself the pleasure of writing to you the 21 Aug^t

I am heartily concern^d at the scatterd condition of the Battal^n and fear the men will fall off in many respects, The Cloathing of the 2 C^os &c present is just finished and put on, & I hope soon to have a little rest from work &c that we may have them out with their Arms.

I must Observe to you that Recruits got in the Room of ye Good men discharg^d, are very bad, the Affair was transacted before I knew of the Generals appointing me to ye 60th Reg^t

Capt Hopkins & his C^o of Independents 4 Off^rs 4 Serj^t 4 Corp^ll 2 Drum^s & 110 men are passd this post on their way to ye Detroit. I am just now Sending Off a new Sloop that will carry to ye Detroit near 500 Barrels of provisions, Capt Hopkins &c goes in her

Colonel Bouquet

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I beg leave to Joyn friends present in best respects to you & friends at Your Garrison

I Am
Sir
Your very humble Servant

[J] WILKINS

Lieu^{t} M.Dougul was here lately & seems to like the Detroit &c very much.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Major Wilkin's 25th Septr 1762, Received by Capt Ecuyer the 16th Novr 1762

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GOV. JAMES HAMILTON TO COL. JAMES BURD

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21646, f. 373, C.]

By the Honourable James Hamilton Esquire Lieutenant Governor & Commander in Chief of the Province of Pennsylvania & Counties of New Castle, Kent and [Sussex] upon Delaware.

To James Burd Esqr & Josiah Davenport Gent^{n} Greeting:

WHEREAS This Goverment hath at every Treaty held with the several [Indians at the time] the Cessation of Hostilities constantly insisted that they [. . . . .] that had been taken during the War but they were hitherto only brought in small Numbers, leaving many behind AND WHEREAS at the late Treaty held at Lancaster with the Western Indians by their Chiefs & Deputies I again urged them in the warmest manner to bring in as speedily

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as might be the Residue of the English Prisoners that still remain among any of their Tribes, And the said Chiefs & Deputies then promised and undertook to Collect all the said remaining Prisoners, & to deliver them to such Persons as should be commissionated by me to receive them at Fort Pitt. NOW KNOW YE, that [expressing] special Trust and Confidence in Your Prudence Care & OEconomy, I have nominated and appointed & do hereby nominate and appoint; impower and commissionate You the said James Burd and Josiah Davenport, or either of You, to receive all Such Prisoners as shall be brought to Fort Pitt, or posts adjacent by the said Indians or any of them, and to provide for and accommodate as well the said Prisoners as the Indians who bring them, with what things shall by You be judged absolutly necessary; And either to distribute & send the Prisoners to their Parents and Friends (if known within reasonable Distance) or to send them to Philadelphia where proper Care will be taken of them, That You will take Care in the Execution of this Commission not to exceed the time limited and allow'd for this purpose, and You are to [keep a] proper and fair Account of all Your Expences, and duly to communicate [&] report to me Your proceedings in the Premisses. .

Given under my Hand & Seal at Arms at Philadelphia this Twenty Fifth Day of September in the Second Year of his Majestys Reign and in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty Two

JAMES HAMILTON

By His Honours Command

JOSEPH SHIPPIN J^{r}.
Secretary

A Copy

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Governor Hamilton his Instructions to Col. Burd, and Mr Davenport 25th Day of Septr 1762

(September 26, 1762)

LIEUT. THOMAS GUY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 377, A. L. S.]

Le Boeuff 26th Septr 1762

Sir

I inclose you the returns for the twenty fourth of September. Since the last I have had a couple of the Sheep Died & am afraid more of them will as there are a greate meany of them which have got the Rott the may recover aS the cold weather is coming on which is the onley hopes. I have got some Hay for them according to your orders but am afraid it will be not of much service to them it may Keep them alive & that as much as it will do, I shoud be glad if you woud send me a Lock for the Store as the Store is now oblidge to ley open for want of one. The Men have been very Sickly here but the are now begining to recover. I have received the Necessarys for the men of Capt Cochrans Company I have nothing more particular to acquaint you at present from

Sir
Your Most Obe^t Hum^le Servant,

T. GUY

N B
I have exchange'd twelve sheep with Mr Christie for Pork.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut^t Guy 26th Septr 1762 Answ^d the 7th oct

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LIEUT. FRANCIS GORDON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 378, A. L. S.]

[Venango, Sept. 29, 1762.]

Sir/

I Receiv^{d} Your favour of ye 22^{d} Instant I did Not Mistake your Intention Concerning Skenner I was Sensable you left it, in My power to have refused him I concidered your good intention & favour you granted him very reasonable if he or Shee had been worthey Objects of it. I thought it Sufficiant Satisfaction that I acquant^{d} you of there former beheavour that they Might not be trublesom to you for ye futter. I believe one Batto will be Sufficient for this Post as I have forwarded Provision to Le Boeufe to Serve them to ye 1st of June Allowing for every thing in reason. Other I Sold to ane Indean for Six pounds worth of Skines, as I was Affray^{d} I Should luse her likwis, and I cannot Affourd to louse Twelve pounds I have Sent Mr Wilkie Down he could not Come Any Sunner on Aco^{tt} of ~~these~~ of his Horses being from home He desires me to write you that he never refused to Settle with them and has frequently Sollest^{d} them to Come to Settlement with him. I have Aqantted him with Your Orders Concerning his Rume, he Says he is very Sensable of his Crime and says he did it with no bad intention I did give him leve to bring up 5 Gallons for him selfe and 5 for ye Comessary on Conditions that he would Concele it from ye Indians in ye Midle of ye Packs. I most beg leve to give him the benefit of ye ten Gallons the other forty he has no Manner of excuse for bringing it up for he has been Cationed Anuff by me Concerning it. I believe the Manes Affaires is in a bad Condition at Present with his March^{ts} he Beg of me to Solisit you to Soffen the Sentence a litle as it may be a great hurt to his Credit. The Orders Mr Carre left with me that you had given Mr Petters^{n} & Wilkie leve to Make use of the Path and that if Any other person Aplayed to me for leve to use that Path I shud grant them liberty I have had no Order befor this to Contradick the former, I am Sertain it is no Neglect of mine as to ye Riffle the Indian has never been with me, he went to ye Town About 60 Mills from this If he Aplays I Shall Observe your Orders The Indian has been here twise for his Cannue and

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I have put him off as well as I Cane untill its Arrivel I have Colect^{d} every order of yours as you have Direct^{d} me that may Concern ye Post, and is readey to Deliver ye Same to My Successor as Soon As I may be favo[ur^{d}] with that Pleasure. Tis with great [. . .] I receive the Agreeable Acc^{tt} of the reduction of ye Havannah which Most inspire every British Soule with new Vigure

I am with Respect
Sir
your Most Obed^{t} Hum^{bl} Servant

FRA^{S} GORDON

Venango ye 29th Sepr 1762

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut^{t} Gordon 29th Septr 1762 Received the 1st October

[Addressed] To Colonel Henry Bouquet Command^{g} at Fort Pitt

(September 30, 1762)

ENSIGN JOHN CHRISTIE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 380, A. L. S.]

Prisqu'Isle 30th Sep^{t} 1762

Sir

I recieved Yours of the 22^{d} Ins^{t} I have sent by the Expresses, an exact Account of the Ballance, due Capt Cochrans Company March last, likewise, a list of there debts Since that time as Stated in Corp^{l} Nosses Books.

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As to Moss getting from this to Fort Pitt, is impossable I having No Serj^{t} or Corp^{l} but him Self hear. Besides as the Season is so far Advanced he is the Only person I have to trust with the Charge of a Batteau on the Lake. I Shall send to Niagara nixt Week. I inform'd You in my last, with the returns of this Month that I had Sent a Batteau to Sanduskie, which Batteau return'd Some time ago.

Davenland, has been longer Sick, than any hear, and Still So bad, that he Cannot Yet go down, but as Soon as he is recovered, I Shall Not fail to Send him.

I have sent by Callenon Mr Pitchers Horse and saddle, I Would have had him Shoed behind, but the Smith told me he Could not, the Hoove being So bad.

I am
Sir
Your Most Obed^{t} Humble Servant

JOHN CHRISTIE

As to what I did Conserning Welch, I hope You do not take amiss. I did it for the best, as the provision he had recieved was given him & his recept taken before I Came hear

J: CHRISTIE

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Ensign Christie 30th Septr 1762 Received the 6th Oct. Answ^{d} the 7th

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LIEUT. WILLIAM LESLYE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 381, A. L. S.]

[Michilimackinac, Sept. 30, 1762.]

Dear Sir

I send you inclosed a letter, sent me by General Abercrombie, which I received a few days agoe, the General Mentions his haveing Apply'd to you to have me releived from this disagreable Station, which if its possible for you to do in the Spring, you will do me a particular favour.

I have not been Able to procure you the 4 Martins Skins &c you Wanted but have given Commissions to several French Men who are gone a Wintering with the Indians & I dare say I shall be Able to send them to you in the Spring Capt Etherington Arrived here a few days agoe he is to send Mr Janett to take post at St Marris which is all that can be done this Year the Season being too far advanced for goeing in to lake Superiour.

I am Most Respectfully

Dear Sir
Your Most Obed^{t} Hu^{bl} Servt

WILL^{m} LESLYE

Michilimackinak 30th Septr 1762

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut^{t}. Leslie Michillimakina 30th Septr 1762

(October 1, 1762)

LIEUT. THOMAS GUY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 385, A. L. S.]

Le Boeuf 1th October 1762

Sir

I received your Favour of the 22th Sept. by Calanon. Am greately ablidged to you for the favours shone me, I have not sent you a certificate for the damage'd Flower as you write me that you Shoud not transmit the account till you saw me, I thought there were no necessity of sending it.

You write me that I Shoud send you word what necessarys the men will want this Winter The men of Capt. Eeyers Company will want six pair of Shoes & one Kettle; The men of Capt. Cochrans Company are not in want of eany thing I write you some time ago the want of Blankets & Falling Axes at this Garrison if the Men have not them sent them the will be very badly off for the Winter as the have not eany here.

One Parsel white of Capt. Cochrans Company is in Very greate danger of loosing his hand except he can get some assistance. There is not so much as a pie[ce] of Salve to put to it. The rest of the Men are very Ill with the Fever & Ague some of them are recovering.

I am
Sir
Your Most Obedt Humble Servant

T. GUY

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut. Guy 1st October 1762 Answd the 7th Oct.

[Addressed] On His Majestys Service To Colonel Henry Bouquet commanding at Fort Pitt

(October 4, 1762)

ALEXANDER LUNAN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 387, A. L. S.]

Philad.a 4.th Oct.o 1762

Dear Sir,

Since mine by Robinson the Express, I've not been favourd with any from you.

I have had by me, for some time, amongst some papers sent me down last Year by M.r M.c Alaster, a Certificate, signd by Major Heathcote, of the Welsh Volunteers, for Five Horses, that were impressed by Your Orders, for the Kings Service, in order to carry down the Baggage of that Regiment to Fort: Bedford, and Shewing that they were in that Service from the 19. to 26.th of March Inclusive, p Certificate signd the 27.th

I suppose the Horses were returnd to him at Fort Pitt; But he Says nothing about that, So that I know not what time their allowed for their being returnd, Nor what I am to receive for the Service. I will be obligd to You, if You'l direct me how and to whom I am to Apply for the payment, and What time their allowd for their Return, and what I am to receive for the service.

The Inclosed, was handed me the other Day by M.r Willing.

I very truly am w.th great Esteem.

Dear Sir,
Yours &c

ALEX.r LUNAN.

Col.o H. Bouquett.

[Endorsed] M.r Lunan 4.th October 1762, Received the 23.d November at Bedford

(October 6, 1762)

WILLIAM PLUMSTED AND DAVID FRANKS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 389, A. L. S.]

Philad^{a} Octob^{r} 6th 1762

Sir

Your favour of the 16th Ult^{o} we received two Days since we are greatly Obliged for your timely information of Your Orders Given for the Supplying the posts of Leogineir & Fort Pitt with Cattle and Hoggs to Mr Thompson, butt Mr Franks is att a Loss to know whether the directions you gave him while up for the Supply of Leigoneir is included in this last order As he while att Bedford had agreed for Six months provision for that post which he says he beleives he informed you off but is Shure he did Mr Thompson as he see him att Carlisle therefore must request you Should what you directed him to provide for Leigoneir not be included in this Number Acquaint Mr Thompson that Leigoneir is provided for by order of Mr Franks by some person he had imployed.

As You think some necessary persons for Slaughtering & Salting the Stock for the Winter Season necessary we have Yesterday made application to the General for his leave to send some from hence

We must depend on Mr Thompson & Co furnishing you with such Meat as is Good for the Season and hope you may take such notice that they don't disappoint you in the Winter season as happened the last Year and indeed to Secure you against such a disagreeable event was the principal view we had in contracting with those Gentleman We are sorry to hear they have neglected to give you Good meat Our agreement with them was for Good and they ought to be made to give Good meat

We have an Account of about 1700 Soldiers comeing here from the Havanna which may be expected in about a weeks time itt is said they are very Sickly indeed near one half of those sent for New York are Dead and Dying Dayly by Dousens

We are
y^{r} Obliged Hum^{e} serv^{ts}

PLUMSTED & FRANKS

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Messrs Plumsted & Franks Octr 6th 1762 Received the 30th [d^{o}] by Mr Levy

(October 6, 1762)

COL. GEORGE MERCER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 391, A. L. S.]*

[Ourry Park, Oct. 6, 1762.]

I find I am obliged to take to another Sheet not only to tell you what I shall always take a Pleasure in acknowledging in every Part of my Letter as well as the Conclusion -- but first -- to advise you e'er I draw so near to the G M. that ~~as~~ I am tolerably certain that many of the Kings Horses might be recovered in my County provided you would publish an Advertisement to frighten those that secrete them, and appoint some person to receive them, & pay a small Gratuity to the People who bring them in

Excuse me for troubling you with so long an Epistle, I beg my Compliments to Capt. Bassett -- and that you may rest assured that with the greatest Esteem & Sincerity

I am
My dear Colonel
Your most obliged Friend & obedient Servant

Geo: MERCER

Ourry Park Oct. 6th 1762.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lt Coll. Geo: Mercer
October 6th 1762

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* The first part of this letter has apparently been lost.

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LIEUT. FRANCIS GORDON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 392, A. L. S.]

[Venango, Oct. 6, 1762.]

Sir

I Bege leve to truble you with This, The Purport ~~of which~~ of which is to let you kno, That I have Changed my Opinion of Mr Wilkie and I Sincerly retract all I wrote you in his favour as to ye Rume he brought up -- The ten Gallons that I had given him leve to bring to this Post I think he hase forfited that, by his brining More then I gave him leve I Cane Ashure you I think my Selfe Much to blame to be So fare imposed on, in even giving him the lest indulgence. He has left Eeight Hunder pounds of goods to ye Care of two Horse drivers, on of them is a Raskel from his beheaveour the other a Fóuel. in this Condition he has left his Affaires and his Servants informes me he is gone for to bring up his Wife hire. I find his Karacter is a fule a Knove & a laying Lo Life'd Wretch Which my Smal Aquantance with him had never Descuver'd befor I hertely wish he was gon from this Post as I am Sertain he Can never Mak Any thing here in his Endalent and neglectfull maner he Carries his business on ~~his~~ for his implovers his Hane thretens to leve his Store for want of Provisions

I am
Sir
Your Most Obedient Humble

FRAS GORDON

Venango ye 6th Octr 1762

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut. Gordon 6th October 1762 Answd the 7th Oct

[Addressed] To Colonel Henry Bouquet Commands at Fort Pitt

(October 7, 1762)

LIEUT. JAMES DOW TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 394, A. L. S.]

[New York, Oct. 7, 1762.]

My Dear Collonel

I came to Albaney the 18th last munth, the moment I came there I was taken bad with a Fever, notwithstanding I had the oppertunitie of a New england old Sloop comeing to Newyorke, I Sett off next morning and the Second night about 28 Miles from Albany they run her on a rock when She Sprung a lake, two men was constanly imployed with Buckets, but when the tyde left her She oversett, all this time I was very Bad and a great Sweet on me, when the tyde made She filld and before I got ashoar I was up to the neck in water, it beeing the night time it was a dificult thing for the people to take me in, I got here the 23d and ever Since I have been confin'd to bed I have been very mucth obliged to Dr Addair and Dr Gill, they both tell me I have had a very narrow escape I beg your pardon for this long account of my Self,

The moment I am able to go out I Shall aske Sir Jeff/ if I may take with me the remainder of the Cloathing thats here to Philadelphia, and I Shall remain there, to receive your orders whither I Shall bring with me to Fort-Pitt, The Cloathing the moment I heard from you I Shall Sett out. I Should not have com'd this way, but Major Wilkens could neither give me a Boat nor men. When I came back to Fort Ontario I mett with Capt. Ecueyr, goeing to Joyn you, I mett with Honest Myers at Albaney who gave me a memorandum about Some powder and Shott. Nothing Shall give me more pleasure than to obey your commands, as I am not able to write the rest of the gentlemen I beg youll please make my kind compliments to them all, and they will please lett me know what they want I can Send you no news, the 17th 42d and Montgomerys is arryved, the Royalls 15th 43d and 48th are daylie expected the two first goes to Philad the Officers of the 2d Battn R Highlanders goes to Europe to recruite.

(October 7, 1762)

Please tell Capt. Barnsley my youngest Son was weil when those gentlemen left the Havannah, my Dr Coll/ I most once more beg of you for my eldest Son beeing brought to Fort-Pitt the Boy is perfectly unhappie where he is, and I am glad my good friend Carre is in so a fair a way for a purchase. Therefor allow me both to aske it as a perticular favour done to me both by you and Capt Barnsley to allow him to Succeed Carre.

Theres on Donnellan came over in the last Packet he is to Joyn you I never Saw him.

I hope youll forgive me for using all this freedom with you,

I am with great respect
My Dear Coll/
Your very much obliged
Your most obe: & very Hum: Servt

JAMES DOW

Newyork 7th Octor 1762}

(October 13, 1762)

T. D. HANBACK TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 398, A. L. S.]

Fort St Joseph oct: the 13, 1762

Honoured Sir!

Your Honour's from the 27. augt I have had the pleasure of receiving a few Days ago.

(October 13, 1762)

if your honour has n't wrote yet in my behalf to Detroit, as I made free to beg of your honour, I would humbly beg not to take any trouble that way as I have got a pass, and a good Friend at Detroit, who has promis'd to assist me, in getting the Necessary's permets.

Since your Honour desire me to Know the Truth of Mr. Schlosser's Extravagantys I am Certain that There has Several Complaints been made to Capt Campble, But his greatest follies Are Still undiscoverd. As often as he has Any Liquor, or any Body whosoever will give him any /for refuses No Body all that it was an Indian/ He generally gets, what you Call Merry, And then being an Absolute Master getting into his Head, in one of those fits he run ones into a french Man's House, The man being ~~the~~ to Bed, But By the Noise he getting up, Mr. Schlosser got hold of him, and Call'd for the guard, and afterwards told the People That he had orders to burn the Fort Kill all The French and march off with his garrison. I only have alleg'd this one piece, altho I might many more relate of The Same Nature: I am Some times asham'd how the Comon French people talks, They admire The English would Send a man of Some Sense to an out post, and amongst So Many Indians, And not a Boy. I Beg your Honour's Pardon for being Extravagant myself, and beg Leave to Subscribe myself

Sir
your Honours
Most humbl & Most obedt. Servant

T. HAMBACK

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mr. Hambach Octr 13th 1762
Received 14th Novr

(October 15, 1762)

CAPT. JOHN SCHLOSSER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 400, A. L. S.]

Niagara 8ber 15th 1762.

Monsieur & très honore Colonel!

Apres vous avoir accusé la Reception devos deux lettres du 6 Âout & du 22 7bre 1762 que j'ai reçue le même jour /:parceque Mr Christy les adetenues & enfin les a envoyé par un Comerçant Mr Grahem venant ici de Fort Pitt:/ j'ai l'honneur devous dire, que les Gens des Proviniaux engages chez nous, le sont tous pour des termes raisonables, que j'espere leveront vos remarques & celles du Capt: Barnsley qui, m'a écrit à ce sujet /:la liste jointe expliquera letout; Vous étes Surprit que les noms de ceux qui sont échangés ne se trouvent pas tous dans la liste que le Major Walters vous a envoyé, mais je vous dirai, que come ils S'est toujours opposé a ce que vous Souhaitiés et par consequent ne souhaitoit pas, qu'il y eut beaucoup demonde dans le cas, il ne Vous a envoyé que ceux qui ont parrut devant la Cour d'Inquiry dont j'etois moi-même President, Sans avoir egard a ceux qui étoient aux detachement & ailleurs. Je Suis membre du Regiment & ne voudrois jamais le-tromper, ni consentir a une Dimission, Si je n'en croyois pas les Raisons assez fortes, outre que ces gens la étant remplaces ne devroient être considerés que comme transferés, pour les autres qui n'étoient dans aucun des deux cas et ont pourtant été congediés, la liste mentionée la haut vous dira pourquoi, et je puis Vous dire en General, qu'ils n'étoient bon a rien ou par de accidents ou par des infirmités naturelles qui ne les quittera jamais, come Torrel qui a eu les jarets coupé par les Indians & a été a l'hôpital depuis près d'un an, McCanne, un pauvre Malingre dont le docteur n'esperoit aucun retour lui même &c. Mr Dow Pere s'est donné bien des aires & des peines en mon absence en söufflant le Major contre cet échange, il dit qu'un Fohner & Lee étoient des baux hommes, il n'avoit pas tout le tord, mais fohner étoit dans la liste que le Major vous a envoyé, & Lee étoit le plus miserable detoute ma Compagnie, toujours Sous, aux arrest ou au Conseil de Guerre. Ils étoient tous deux mariés & nonpas sans Enfans, je Sai bien que bien degens n'ont

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aucun égard à celà, que je pense poutant bien n'être pas un Bagatelle & j'ai eu defort bon Soldats en leur Place, il yen a pourtant deux que je Souhaiterois être meilleur, Johns & Adis, mais encore ils Sont d'assez bonne taille, jeunes bon pour Soldats & meilleures qu'une grande Partie des Recrues de Lancaster, enfin le Tripotage ici me paroit devenir pis que le precedent, j'en tire les Consequence des qualités du premier Ministre qui est apresent Mr Wm Hay, la Suitte dutemps nous éclaircira ladessus, car pour tout Crime, il ne s'agit que de n'être pas de l'ordre St Andrew, ce qui ne s'est pas manifesté si clairement pendent la Garrison precedente. Vous trouveréz étrange, que je parle plus librement que ci devant, mais je vous dirai que je n'ai plus tant de Raison afeindre, parceque je ne crains plus tant.

Je ne doute pas, que vous ne sussiez a present, que le Major Gladwin est échangé contre Mr Wilkens, j'en Suis bien faché quoique je ne connoisse assez bien ni l'un ni l'autre.

Mr Dow Pere étoit parti avant mon arrive, voyant qu'il ne pouvoit pas trouver moyen de rester ici come il croioit & afait le tour d'albany & la Nouvelle York.

Ma lettre precedente vous aura éclaircy sur Sr Wm Johnson, je l'ai vû, j'ai conclû le marché avec lui, & il ne reste plus, que dele paier & prendre Possession dela Plantation.

J'ai abaissé le jeune Dow a l'égard de son desire d'aller a Fort Pitt & il me dit qu'il vous écrira lui même.

Vous me dittes qu'on ne Sauroit trouver Personne, qui veuille acheter la Lieutenance &C: de Mr Carre, je trouve moyen je crois, mais je hesitte aVous nomer les Subjects, cependent il faut les nomer, Christy avoulû acheter avant Dow, & le Sergent Major a l'argent pret pour le Drapeau, Si l'un & l'autre peuvent obtenir vôtre protection. je marque a Christy dans la lettre que je dois lui écrire, devous marquer ce qu'il en pense.

Il n'y a qu'une couple d'heures que le Caporal Tull est arrive dela PresquIsle pour être Sergent dans ma Compagnie, mais comme Vous medisiez que celà Ne se pouvoit pas, j'étois sur le Point de le renvoyer, dequoi faisant Rapport au Major, il me dit que le Capt: Campbell venoit delui demander Si avoit un Sergent supernumeraire pour le remplacer, en la place d'un autre que vous vouliez congedier, ainsi il lui a fait prendre le Sergent Walters qui est

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le seul surnumeraire qu'il nous restoit & qui est actuellement au Detroit, et ainsi il m'ordonna de garder Tull pour Sergent & je pense qu'il entrera en pied le 25 d'8bre où lorsqu'il me Sera marqué.

Ma lettre du 6 de ~~Juillet~~ d'aôutt doit je crois vous avoir dit que le Major Walters étoit parti alors.

À l'égard de mon Intention de vendre ma Compagnie, je Suis toutjours du même Sentiment, Mr Equyer peut vous l'avoir dit, mais comme Mr Carre me dit dans sa lettre qu'il avoit l'approbation du Capt: Rutherfurt & du Colonel Robeson a l'acheter au Prix & condition que je lui avois dit & qu'il tacheroit devenir ici pour mettre la derniere main à l'affaire, je l'ai attendu envain jusqu' ici, ma precedente vous aura fait entendre, que ne pouvant pas finir a temps pour pouvoir me retirer d'ici, je Souhaiterois definir finalement en quel temps qu'il plaira a Mr Carre, pourvû que je garde la Paye jusqu'a la fin de l'hiver, Sans quoi je serois obligé, de manger une partie du revenant pour vivre cet hiver, car vous savez qu'on ne sauroit bouger d'ici avant ce temps là & sur les mêmes Condition, je vous prie de me permettre que je vous donne plein Pouvoir d'agir pour le mieu, C'est adire, qu'il me payra 1200 Livres Sterling & N Sterling, qu'il soit Capt: du 25 avril 1763. je Supose ou plus tard comme vous jugerez convenir. je vous joins ma Resignation signée, mais c'est toujours aux Conditions susditte que je la donne, car Si je diminue la Some en vuë, tout mon Plan S'evanuit, je sais bien que celà ne peut pas lui plaire beaucoup, mais la fatalité des circonstance doit me justifier, & il est trop galant homme, pour ne point Sentir le motif & la force demon Raisonnement J'ai l'honneur d'être avec Respect

De mon Colonel
Le très humble & très obeissant Serviteur

J. SCHLÖSSER:

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt. Shlosser Octr 15th
Received Novr 16th 1762

(October 15, 1762)

[TRANSLATION]

Niagara, Oct. 15, 1762.

Sir, and most honored Colonel!

After acknowledging the receipt of your two letters of August 6 and September 22, 1762 which I received the same day (because Mr. Christie retained them and finally sent them by a trader, Mr. Graham, coming here from Fort Pitt), I have the honor to inform you that the men of the provincials engaged by us are all here on reasonable terms, which I hope will answer your remarks and those of Captain Barnsley, who has written me on this subject. The enclosed list will explain everything. You are surprised that not all the names of those who are exchanged are in the list that Major Walters sent you. But I will tell you that as he is always opposed to your wishes, and consequently not wishing to have many people in the case, he has sent you only those who had appeared before the court of inquiry of which I myself was president, without any regard for those who were in the detachment or elsewhere. I am a member of the regiment and would not wish to deceive him nor to consent to a reduction if I did not believe the reasons for it strong enough; besides which, as those people are replaced, they should be considered only as exchanges for the others who were in neither of the two cases and therefore have been dismissed. The list mentioned above will tell you why, and I can tell you in general that they are good for nothing, either from accidents or from natural infirmities which will never leave them, such as Torrel, who had the tendons of his legs cut by the Indians and has been in the hospital nearly a year; McCanne, a poor weakling, whom the doctor has no hope of ever healing, etc. The elder Mr. Dow gave himself great airs and took great pains during my absence by whispering to the major against this exchange. He said that one Fohner and Lee were good men; he was not altogether wrong, but Fohner was in the list that the major sent you, and Lee was the worst of all my company, always drunk, under arrest, or court-martialed. Both are married and have children. I know well that many people have no regard for this, which I think, however, should not be considered merely a trifle, and I have had some very good soldiers in their place. I have two, however, that I wish were better, Johns and Adis; but still they have a good enough figure, young, fit for soldiers and better than a great part of the recruits from Lancaster. In short, the underhand dealing here seems to me to become worse

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than before. I infer from it the characteristics of the Prime Minister, who is at present Mr. William Hay. Time will enlighten us about this, because with every offence the point in question is only in not belonging to the order of St. Andrew, which was not manifested so openly in the former garrison. You will find it strange that I speak more freely than before, but I will tell you that I no longer have so much reason to dissemble because I am no longer so fearful.

I do not doubt, as you may know by now, that Major Gladwin is exchanged for Mr. Wilkins. I am very sorry, although I do not know either one very well.

The elder Mr. Dow left before my arrival, seeing that he could not contrive to stay here, so he thought, and has taken a trip to Albany and New York.

My preceding letter will have enlightened you concerning Sir William Johnson. I saw him, have completed my bargain with him, and there is nothing left but to pay him and take possession of the plantation.

I have refused young Dow with regard to his desire to go to Fort Pitt and he tells me that he will write you, himself.

You tell me that no one can be found who wishes to buy Mr. Carre's lieutenancy, etc. I believe I see the means, but I hesitate to name the individuals to you; nevertheless, they must be mentioned. Christie wanted to buy before Dow, and the Sergeant Major has money ready for the ensigncy, if one or the other can obtain your sponsorship. I am telling Christie, in the letter which I must write him, to mention to you what he thinks of it.

A couple of hours ago, Corporal Tull arrived from Presque Isle to become sergeant in my company, but as you told me that could not be done, I was on the point of sending him back; thereupon, reporting to the major, he told me that Captain Campbell has just ordered him, if he had a supernumerary sergeant, to replace him in the room of another whom you wished to discharge. So he made him take Sergeant Walters who is the only supernumerary that is left us, and who is actually at Detroit; and so he ordered me to keep Tull for sergeant and I think he will be enrolled as of October 25, or whenever I am given notice.

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My letter of August 6, I believe, must have told you that Major Walters had left then.

In regard to my intention of selling my company, I am still of the same opinion. Mr. Ecuyer may have told you this, but as Mr. Carre told me in his letter that he had the approval of Captain Rutherford and Colonel Robeson to buy it at the price and condition which I mentioned to him and that he would try to come here to complete the business, I have waited him, in vain, until now. My preceding letter should make you understand that as I have not been able to finish my business in time to leave here, I am hoping to finish completely at whatever time Mr. Carre pleases, providing that I keep my salary until the end of the winter. Were it not for that, I should be obliged to consume part of my income in order to exist this winter, for you know that one cannot move from here before that time; and for the same reasons, I beg you to let me give you full power to act for the best; that is, that he is to pay me 1200 pounds sterling and [non-sterling?], in order to become Captain from April 25, 1763, I suppose, or later, as you see fit. I am enclosing my signed resignation, but it is always on the conditions mentioned above that I give it, because if I decrease the amount in view, all my plans will fail. I know well enough that this cannot please him very much, but the seriousness of the occasion must vindicate me and he is too much a gentleman not to see my point and the force of my reasoning.

I have the honor to be with respect

My Colonel's
Most humble and most obedient servant

J. SCHLOSSER.

(October 17, 1762)

SERG. MAJOR GEORGE BUTRICK TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21643, f. 402, A. L. S.]

Niagara. the 17th October 1762.

To The Honourable Colonel Henry Bouquet

Sir

I Was honoured With yours of the 22d Septembr and knew not Indeed at this Time any otherway to shew my Gratitude then bye Hearty thanks for the same.

But Honoured Sir must make Bould to truble you once more, Which freedom I hope you will Excuse; Which is being inform'd bye Captain Schlosser of his Intention for quiting the Service, and that Lieutenant Carr Was to Suceed him, by which means there becomes a Vacancy for a Lieutenant and Ensign.

This brings me Sir to Implore your Interest and Assistance once more hopeing, that as there is no Likelyhood of Mr Potts Leaving the Battalion you Will Sir be so good as to take my Case into Consideration and favour me With your Recommendation for the Succession of the Ensigncy.

I have Sir the Money Lodged in Captain Barnsleys hands for that Purpose some Time ago, But if it should be more Suitable for it to be paid at this place I have it ready here to pay it as you Are pleased to direct.

You Were so good Sir as to promise me your Interest for the Succession of the Adjutancy Which place I could Gladly have in Joy'd But if Sir you are so good as to favour me in this point tho' I am Not in that Capacity, you may be Asured that I shall all ways do all in my Power for the good of the Battalion, and his Majestys Service

So Expecting to Receive your Command.

I rest and Remain
Honourable Sir
Your most Obliged Obedient and Very Humble Servant

GEORGE BUTRICK

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Serjeant Major Butrick 17th october 1762 Received 16th Novr

(October 23, 1762)

CAPT. DONALD CAMPBELL TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 403, A. L. S.]

Detroit 23d October 1762

Sir

The Bearer Rodolph, has found a very good Man in his Room, and at his earnest Request I have Sent him to you to have his Discharge.

I had the honor to Receive your Letter of 27 Septbr which I shall answer by Capt Callendar, who may be with you before this Opportunity.

We Are much oblidged to you for the news; Major Gladwin has not received any Letter from you

I am with the Greatest Respect
Sir
Your most obedient humble Servant

DONALD CAMPBELL

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt. Campbell 23d October 1762 by Rudolph the 14th Novr

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LIEUT. ARCHIBALD BLANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 405, A. L. S.]

Ligonier Octr 24th 1762

Sir

I received your Letter of the 22d late last night and shall set out for Bedford imediatly. If possible I'll be back to be present at slaughtering.

To Coll. Bouquet

(October 24, 1762)

I heartily wish the Springs may be of service to Cap.t Ourry, and you may be asurred, I go with the greatest chearfulness both on his Acct, & to oblidge you, for I can't enough admire the civil manner in which you order me.

I have [-.-.-.-] received your two favours of Oct.r 19.th and shall observe y.r directions. I don't think it will be possible to get Flour carried up at this Season for less than I wrote you; the carriour to receve 50 ~~lib~~ here, for 100 delivered at Fort Pitt

I supose Craughan forgote to tell me he was only Joking, however there is no harm done.

Inclosed I send you the Returns of this Post and Am

Sir most sincerely
Your most Obed.t Humble Serv.t

A. BLANE

P. S. Dunfin the Deserter, who I thought uncapable to move, deserted again last night Just as I was taking Horse for Bedford, Fleming the Express arrived, but being so unwel that he can go no farther, have sent John Fore upon his Horse in his place. Cap.t Curry writes one he wont leave Bedford If I was there already, till he hears from you, least this Pacquet brings some orders for him, yet desires me to come down, but as I have much to do here at present, Ill wait till I hear from you again as I could be of no service there & my absence would be inconvenient here.

As there is no King's Forrage here, how shall I supply the Express. I believe I could get a little Indian Corn for Flour allowing for the difference of the value

Yours &c

A B

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut.t Blane 24.th October 1762.

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MAJOR J. WILKINS: RETURN

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648,

RETURN OF THE 1st BATTALION OF HIS MAJESTY'S ROYAL

	Officers Present												
	Commission						Staff					Non Commiss.d	
Companies	Colonel	Lieut. Colonel	Major	Captains	Lieutenants	Ensigns	Chaplain	Adjutant	Q.r Master	Surgeon	Mate	Serjeants	Drummers
Major Wilkins's			1							1		3	2
Capt. Schlosser's				1								3	2
Total			1	1						1		6	4
DETACHMENT													
Colonel Prevost's						1							
Lieut. Colonl. Bouquetts													
Captains: Gavin Cochrane's					2								
Captains: Harry Gordon's													
Captains: George Etherington's													
Captains: Thomas Barnsleys Grs													
Captains: Donald Campbells													
Captains: Ecuyers												1	
Total Draughts					2	1							
Total of the Whole			1	1	2	1				1		7	4

ABSENT

Rank	Names	Since Wt. Time Abst.
Lieutenants	Robert Stewart	Never Join'd
	George McDougal	1st Novr. 1761
	Francis Phister	Never Join'd
	Jams. McDonald	----------
Ensigns	John Christy	24th May. 1762
	Jno. Joh. Schlosser	3d Augst. 1761

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OF FIRST BATTALION

f. 407, A. D. S.]

AMERICAN REGIMENT AT NIAGARA THE 24th Octob^r 1762.

Effective Rank and File							Wanting to Compleat to the Establishment			Since Last Return							
															Join'd		
Present for Duty	Sick present	Sick Absent	On Command	Recruitinge	On Forlough	Total	Serjeants	Drummers	Rank & file	Recruited	Dead	Recommended	Discharg'd	Deserted	Serjeants	Drummers	Rank & file
50	7		5			62											
56	8		3			67				1			1				
106	15	"	8	"	"	129				1			1				
1						1											
2						2											
3						3											
4						4											
"						"											
"						"											
3						3											
4						4											
17						17											
123	15	"	8			146				1			1				

Officers

By Whose Leave and for What Time	Months
Acting as Major to the Virginia Regiment	
On Command at Detroit ----------	
Employed as Engineer at Fort Stanwix ---	
On Command at Detroit ----------	
D^o ----- at Prisque Isle ----------	
D^o ---- at Fort St. Joseph ----------	

Vacant Officers and by W^t Means

WILKINS Maj^r 60th Reg^t

(October 24, 1762)

MAJOR J. WILKINS: RETURN OF FIRST BATTALION

Casualties

Captain Schlossers Company

Adam Horne Discharged the 6th
Reuben Mastico Recruited D^{o} Time
in Homs place to serve for Life

Casualties of the Draughts

James Collings of Capt Ecuyers Comp^{y}
is Appointed Drummer in Major Wilkins
Company and Gasper princecoup is Appoint'd
to Capt Ecuyers Company in Collings place

N. B. Adam Horn was Discharged by Major Walters But Not Replac'd till the October 6th instant

[Endorsed] Return of the 1^{t} Batt^{n} Royal Amer^{n} Regiment at Niagara the 24th October 1762.

(October 26, 1762)

GEORGE KOPP TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 408, A. L. S.]

[Detroit, Oct. 26, 1762.]

Gesonders Hochgeehrter Hochwohlgebohrnen Gnaden Herr Obrist!

Ich [nehme] die freÿheit [meine] demüthige bitt und begehren an Ihro Hochwohlgebohrnen Gnaden ergehen Zulassen welches wie ich hoffe Ihro Gnaden gnädigst erlaüben werden.

Die weilen ich die Ehre habe dasz mir dürch die guthatigkeit ünserer hiesigen Herren Officieren ist angetragen worden dasz gegenwartig ein [Friedrichschlasz] Vacant seÿn denselbigen zuerkaufen und mir schon allbereit beÿ guten Freunden zü erkaüfung deselbigen ihre hühst ist anerbotten worden wann ich anderst die Ehre von Ihro hochwohlgebohrnen Gnaden zü Vollbringung deselbigen erlauben werde.

Und die weilen ich ein besonderbahren Lüst und Vergnüglichkeit in mir finde an Ihro Königlichen diensten von Grosz Brittanien und auch mein gantzer absicht und Endzweck dahin gereistet ist, wie ich Ihro Majestet in dem dienst deselbigen mehr und mehr genügen leisten möge als welches ich mir vor eine besonderbahre Ehre schätze und dasz um so viell [desto mehr] wann ich die Ehre von Ihro Hochwohlgebohrnen Gnaden erlauben könte Ihnen in einem höheren [Stand] zu dienen als ich gegenwertig begriefen [bin].

[Derowegen] ich Ihro Hochwohlgebohrnen Gnaden sehr üntherthänigst und Gehorsamst ersuchen wollen dasz ich die Ehre und gnad von Ihro Hochwohlgebohrnen Gnaden erwegen möge mich in der vorgetragenen AVANTION zübeförden und mit verstrechen, dasz ich allen Eÿfer und Treü in dem dienst desselbigen werde suchen anzüwerden; und In mehr und mehr darnach Erachten und suchen wie ich Ihro Majestet dessen Ehre und beschützung des Landes beförderen und erhalten möge.

Die weilen aber solches mein Glück gäntzlich beÿ Ihro Hochwohlgebohrnen Gnaden Gnädigsten befehl enthalten ist so habe ich die Hoffnung und [zureifte] nicht dan dass ich die [Hühst] und Ehre zum Endzweck deselbigen beÿ Ihnen erlauben werde.

Wormit ich die Ehre habe mit tiefestem Respect und obligation mich züverschreiben

[Dero] Hochwohlgebohrnen Gnaden
Gehorsamtst und Untherthanigster Diener

GEORG KOPP [Se]

Detroit ye 26th october 1762.

(October 26, 1762)

[TRANSLATION]

Detroit, Oct. 26, 1762.

Particularly Highly-honored, Well-born, Gracious Colonel!

I take the liberty to trouble you with my humble request, forwarding it to your well-born Grace, which I hope your kind Grace will permit.

At the same time, I have the honor, through the kindness of our commanding officers, to seek a desirable vacancy now open, and which I have already heard through good friends, is to be purchased. It would be the highest to be obtained, if I could otherwise have the honor that your high-born Grace should comply with this request.

And at the same time, I find a great pleasure and satisfaction in serving the King of Great Britain. Likewise my entire intention and aim is directed toward that end, as to how I could accomplish more in the service of his Majesty, and which I would consider as an exceptional honor; and more so if I could have the honor that your high-born Grace would promote me to a higher rank than the one which I hold at present.

That is why I beg your high-born Grace very humbly and submissively for the honor of a promotion. I shall try to exert every effort and loyalty in the same service; and more and more thereafter will I consider and try to serve and protect His Majesty's honor and country.

But as my success rests entirely in your high-born Grace's hands, I have the hope, at least, that I should have the highest and it would be an honor for the same to be permitted by you.

With which I have the honor, with deepest respect and submission, to sign myself,

Your high-born Grace's
Obedient and very humble servant,

GEORGE KOPP

(October 27, 1762)

CAPT. DONALD CAMPBELL TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 410, A. L. S.]

Detroit 27 Octobr 1762

Sir

I have been soe much hurried with my accompts that I forgot to mention to you that Doctor Antony has declined purchasing Mr Carrs Ensigncy.

Serjeant Cope desires me to recommend him for a purchase, the Merchants here will advance him the money. I can Say that he has behaved very well Since he has been under my command and has really been usefull to the Service, if you can be of Service to him it will oblidge me but I leave to your better Judgement.

I am
Sir
Your Most obedient humble Servant

DONALD CAMPBELL

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt Campbell 27th octr 1762 favour of Cope Received by Capt Callender 14th Novr

[Addressed] To Collonel Bouquet Commanding his Majestys forces at Fort Pitt

(October 27, 1762)

DR. GEORGE ANTHONY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 412, A. L. S.]

Detroit October 27th 1762

Sir

I do myself the honor to write you, with Regard the Purchase of a Ensigncÿ. Capt. Phillips, was so good as to recommend me for the first Vacancÿ: I confess I had a great Inclination for it, before knowing I was put on the Establishment of the Hospital, but now finding, it will be of No great advandage for me, I take the Liberty to return you hartÿ thanks for your kind advise and am with great Respect

Sir
your most obedient & humble Servt.

GEO: CHR: ANTHON

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Dr Anthon Octr 27th 1762

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CAPT. DONALD CAMPBELL TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 413, A. L. S.]

Detroit 27 Octobr 1762

Sir

I had the honor to Receive your Letter of the 27th Septbr by Capt Calundar we are oblidged to you for all the good News Sent us. Our Successes at present in all Parts of the world Surpasses the most Sanguine Expectations, all this must bring about a peace, I should not be Sorry for it, as it Seems to be the only Chance we have to be releived, from these Posts. Major Gladwin has got noe Letter from you, he wrote you from Niagara, the Letters you mention are not come to hand.

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The Second vessel is arrived and brought us about four hundred Barrils of Provisions, Capt Hopkins Company are Sent back to Niagara for the winter to safe provisions.

I am glad to acquaint the General Seems to have altered his opinion with Regard to the Indians; and to allow Some Triffles to be Given to them at the Posts.

I have Sent the General my accompts with the Contractors of all the Posts. Mr Jenkins has the largest Accompt but the necessity of the Service oblidged him to make considerable Presents, to the Indians, and has bought Provisions for his garrison. I hope the General will make noe Scruple to Pay the whole. Major Gladwin is of the Same opinion with me, that these expences were unavoidable. I have Inclosed the monthly Returns and the Returns of the men who are entitled to their discharges, there are none of them that Seem willing to reinlist again, I have likewise Sent A Return of those that have Served in the Maryland Service.

At your desire I have Sent Serjeant Steyner to have his Discharge; I see by the Returns of the Regiment the Serjeants are compleat Soe ~~if Sergeant~~ I Shall be oblidged to you to appoint Serjeant Bueler again to my Company.

Your Mare is sent by Capt Calundar She would have been ~~Sonner~~ Sent Sonner, but Mr Jenkins wrote Mr MacDonald not to send her, as he was affraid she was not good enough for you.

I hope you will excuse this short uncorrect Letter, as I am much hurried about the Cursed Accompts. I have enclosed you two Letters from Mr Lesslye.

I am Sir
with the greatest Respect
Sir
your most obedient humble Servant

DONALD CAMPBELL

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt Campbell 27th October 1762 Received 14th Novr by Capt Callendar

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WILLIAM PLUMSTED AND DAVID FRANKS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 415, A. L. S.]

Philad^{a} October 27. 1762

Sir

Your favour of the 5th ins^{t} we received by Robinson a few days ago and agreeable to your desire have sent to procure the necessarys wanted for Your house which we hope to perfect in this week and sent forward to Mr Robt Curtins att Carlisle in order to be Sent you on horses to be hired for the purpose and hope they may gett to You timely to secure you from the inclemency of the Weather

Our D Franks is now att New York endeavouring to gett our Acco^{t} Carriage settled but what may become us I know not As I am told they are criticaly nice in settleing however this I can say for Ourselves we have ever endeavoured to do that which was right if the Orders are not so methodical as Coll^{o} Robinson may require them And we must Say for the future shall be very spareing in the Advanceing Our Own Money for Any Carriage Acco^{ts} which I now mention to you for a hint to be as Spareing as possible for without the Crown will afford us Money we cannot pay

We expect Our Havanna transports next week What condition they may be in I know not but from all Accounts a very ragged & Sickly one

We have nothing of news particular here what there is you'l find in the papers inclosed Only private letters mention a peace nearly concluded but no certainty as I can find of itt's being more then talk

We have applyed to the General for leave to send up a Salter but can obtain no Answer as yett however have endeavoured to gett one & send forward but find itt next to impossible to gett one that we can say is Good we will try to have one come up wth

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the necessarys for the House if possible but have given directions should none appear to Mr Ormsby to imploy such as he may think suitable for that purpose & must begg youl be so Good in case none should come from hence to Give Mr Ormsby Your Advice

We are
Ye Obliged & Obedt Humе Servts

PLUMSTED & FRANKS

To Collo Boquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Messrs Plumsted & Franks
octr 27th Received Novr the 9th

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DR. ROBERT BOYD TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 416, A. L. S.]

The Warm Springs October 28

Sir;

I have now been here about a week -- by the help of a Guide I came through the woods without any path great part of the way from Bedford -- Yet it is not very bad traveling the Woods are free from under Brush and there are no Mountains of much Consequence to pass before you arrive at the Potomac, within five or six Miles of this place -- when the River is to be forded and after that Cape Capon River which is much worse to ride than the Potomac -- it may be in all about 50 Miles from Bedford. The Springs are Situated among very high barren Mountains but there are two Roads fit for Carriages which lead to Virginia & Maryland. There is scarcely

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any improvement made yet, nothing but about 40 miserable Hutts and the Baths are done round with Boughs of Trees but neither in doing that or in building the Huts does there appear the least Traces of Taste or even of Common Sense the Hut which I have got possession of is shingled and is a Palace to all the rest yet it is hardly tolerable.

The Folks that were here when I came were chiefly of the poorer sort indeed some of the Girls being recovered by the use of the Bath looked young warm & Buxom but the bad weather has frightened them all away and there only remains about a dozen of miserable wretches whom Distress & poverty has deprived of a home to go to and their Diseases chiefly loathsome Ulcers have rendered them nauceous to themselves & all mankind the Bath tho very powerful does not cure these poor Creatures. The Taste of the water is quite insipid and it wants a good deal of being milk warm for this Quality its warmth I will not undertake to account as I do not Know how to do it without having recource to the exploded Doctrine of Fermentation nor can I find any Appearance of its being impregnated with a mineral. Its Effects are by insensible Perspiration it rarely vomits or Purges. It is in great quantitys which boils up with great force from among the Rocks & clear white sand. I have not found any Benefit yet from the use of it.

By a Letter I have had from Mr Napier of very stale date by Fleming and one from Mr Bass I doubt I have made application to go to Philadelphia at a bad time for they are in great Distress & hurry at New York & very scarce of Surgeons. Mr Napier desires his Compliments to you. his Letter was in answer to some of mine about a Trepan which he has ordered but I imagine there is none -- at Philadelphia. If you have no Objections when I have tryed the Bath a fortnight longer I shall ride down to Carlisle to meet Mr Napiers Answer from that I shall write to you.

I am dear Sir
your much obliged & most obedient Humble Servant

ROBt BOYD

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Dr Boyd Octr 28th 1762

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LIEUT. JAMES DOW TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 420, A. L. S.]

[Philadelphia, Oct. 30, 1762.]

My Dear Collonel

I wrote you from Newyork the 7th I came here this day week, and found all the letters I now Send you in the office. As to Newtons being here or goeing up to you, I did not know of it, to yesterday Mrss Barnsley told me. Since I came here, I have been very bade, and his been obligid to be under Mr Napier and Monros hands, I beleive I had gote cold comeing here with bade weather. The moment I receive yours Shall leave this place, and come to Fort Pitt. By Sr Jefferys orders I Shipd the remainder of our cloathing at Newyork for this place with all my own Baggage, She Saild the 14th of this munth and his never been heard of Since. I am now very uneasie, and I offerd yesterday to make Insurance, the underwritters askd me 50 P Ct. The Sloop belongs to Wilmingtone. I have this day sent my Servant their to inquire after her, 4 Companys of the Royall the 15th and 48th are every moment expected here from the Havannah the two first remains here the 48th to Trenton and Burlingtone, No News, But what I inclose you, with the July Magazine. If you or any of the Gentlemen wants anything from this youll please lett me know. I am with great respect

My Dear Collonel
Your very much obliged
Your most obe: & very Hum. Servt

JAMES DOW

Philadelphia 30th Octor 1762}

To Collonel Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Letter from Lt Dow 7th & 30th Octr 1762 answered 11th Nov

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ENSIGN GEORGE PRICE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 418, A. L. S.]

Le Boeuf October 31st 1762.

Sir

I reached Venango the 18th Instant and was obliged to leave two barrels of Pork & one of Flower because the Creek was too low to take up the Batteaux with them at that time. The 19th I rested my Party and the 20th sent them on proposing to come by Land myself that I might thereby give Mr Guy a day or two to deliver over the Command & prepare for his journey down before the Batteaux arrived: But here I was near repenting of what I had done for on the night of the 22d the Creek rose so high I was under Apprehension of getting over which however I was determined to attempt having a Horse and accordingly reached the Crossings at noon the 25th where it Snow'd hard that afternoon & the following night: The Creek still riseing. On the 26th having worked hard all the Morning in makeing a Raft, I got over at One O Clock but could not cross the Creek at the Savannah till the morning. As Soon as I came here I sent your Letter to Mr Christie. After being two days detaind upon the road by the badness of the Weather & deepness of the Creek the Batteaux arrived yesterday. I believe the Men did their Duty.

Inclosed you have a Return of the Garrison, another of the Amunition & Tools and a third of the Provisions as they were delivered over to me by Lieut. Guy these last I have no other account of than a Copy of the Return I have the honour to send to you I would tho have weighed every barrell if I had had good Steelyards but those that are here are fit for nothing and I fear in issuing Provisions with them I Shall not be able to find out on what side the deficiencys will happen or how to make the propper Allowances. Mr Guy tells me he has wrote to you about this matter before and you were pleased to acquaint him that you had wrote for Some: I beg as a great favor you'll let me have them as Soon as possible.

One Postlewait of Capt Cochrans company having laboured a great while under the Afflication of a very sore finger & the prospect of loosing it as he has the use of the one next to it, I have taken the liberty to send down that he may get something done for him at Fort Pitt. Here every Method has been taken with him that Mr Guy could think of.

You'll find the Garrison deficient in a drummer The Lock you were pleased to order up I have put upon the Store Door, but the Officers room here is without one; I should therefore be obliged to you if you'll Send another as well as a Padlock for a Cabbage House.

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I hope to do every thing to your satisfaction & for the good of the Service

I am Sir,
Your Most obedient and Most Humble Serv:

G PRICE

To Colonel Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Ens^{n} Price 31st Octr 1762 answ^{d} 11 Nov^{r}

(November 1, 1762)

ABRAHAM MORTIER TO CAPT. THOMAS BARNSLEY

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 421, A. L. S.]

New york 1st Novr 1762

Dear Sir

I have nothing further to trouble you than to inclose my Acco^{t} with you from 30th Augt last to this day ball^{n} in your favor £ 1626. 4: 10 Sterling whatever you may have drawn on Jno Nelson at Phil^{a} is not included in this Acco^{t} as he has given me no Account thereof.

You will perceive that according to your former desire I continue paying drafts on you from Niagara, which shall continue to do, til you advise me to the Contrary

I am
Dear sir
Your most Obed Hbe Servant

AB^{m} MORTIER

N B The money that Nelson had paid for me was about £ 1000. Pen Cur

Capt Barnsley

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt Barnsley Novr 12th Received the 23^{d} at Bedford 1762

(November 6, 1762)

L. ANDREW LEVY: BOND

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 422, A. L. S.]

[Fort Pitt, November 6, 1762.]

Whereas James Gelaspie apprehends there may be A Considerable Ballance due to him by Thomas Mitchell senr Arising from A late Partnership between them in A Trade Carried on to Fort Detroit by said Gelaspie & Mitchell in Conjunction with Levy, Trent & Co: & Alexander Lowrey, And the said Gelaspie having Represented to Colonel Bouquet that the said Mitchell seemed backward & dilatory in Settling their said partnership accompts & had Apply'd part of their said partnership Money to his own private purposes, Therefore beging Colonel Bouquet's Authority to Order said Mitchell from these parts so as he might have his grievances Redressed by Law, But I considering that it might be greatly Detrimental to the interest of said Mitchell & those Concerned with him to leave his Business in the Confused Situation it now is And in order that he may be permitted to go about his business as usual untill the first of February next /at which time said Accompts are to be finaly settled/ have at the Request of said Mitchell Condescended to give this my Obligation, And I do by these Presents firmly Bind myself, my Heirs, Executors & Administrators well & truly to pay or Cause to be paid unto the Above Named James Gelaspie, his Certain Attorney, Executors, Administrators or Assigns on Demand whatever Sum or Ballance upon A fair & due Settlement of said Gelaspie & Mitchell's above mentioned parthership Accompts may then be found & Justly made appear to be due from said Mitchell unto the said James Gelaspie upon their said partnership Accompts, But if upon a fair & Just Settlement of said Accompts there should be found No Ballance due to the said Gelaspie Then this Obligation to be Void & of none Effect. In witness whereof I have Hereunto Set my Hand & Seal at Fort Pitt this Sixth day of November 1762

L ANDew LEVY

Witness

JAMES HARRIS
JAS MILLIGAN

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mr Levy's Bond favour Mr Gillaspie

(November 8, 1762)

BAYNTON AND WHARTON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 424, A. L. S.]

[Philadelphia, Nov. 8, 1762.]

Sir

We gladly seize the earliest Opportunity We have met with, since Mr Robesons Return, To testify to You, our most gratefull Acknowledgments, for Your truly kind interposition, in our Behalf, with Mr. Teaffe, and particularly for those very obliging Expressions. - - That, "The Skins & furs of Teaffe are not Arriv'd, but soon "expected, and You may be assur'd, that I will see the Condition of "that Bond faithfully perform'd by the Company." For We are assur'd, by an eminent Counsellor, that the Bond which Mr Trent has executed Is not recoverable, in a Court of Law; As it is made dependant, on an uncertain Contingency, To wit, "as soon as We can get them (al-"luding to a parcell of Skins & furs) to Pittsburgh") & neither a Consideration, is express'd in it, or is it made obligatory on any of their Heirs.

Wherefore We humbly flatter Ourselves, That the same humane Disposition, Which generously display'd itself, to serve us in the first Instance Will Continue to patronize our Cause, untill your beneficent Intention, is undoubtedly realiz'd. We once more beg leave to intimate, that We shall be glad at all Times, to have it in our Power, To render you any Services Either here, or with any of our friends abroad, for We are Sir with the greatest Regard,

Your most oblig'd & Obedt. humble Servants

BAYNTON & WHARTON

Philada. Novr. 8th 1762.

[Endorsed] Messrs. Baynton & Wharton Novr. 8th 1762 Received the 23d. at Bedford

(November 10, 1762)

ALEXANDER LUNAN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 426, A. L.]

Philad^{a} 10. Novr 1762.

Dear sir.

I am fav^{d} with Yours of the 2^{d} past, and thank You kindly for your Care of the Letters I took the liberty of putting under your Cover, and the Assistance You are so good as promise Mr Milligan in my unlucky Affairs in Your parts.

All the good family at the Castle are well, and as usual, never forget Your health, as the first Toast after his Majesty. Betsey says, She's quite ashamed that she has not wrote and begs He make some Apology for her, and requested Id say something very Clever But as I don't Inetend to that, I believe must Leave <u>that</u>, till we have the pleasure of seeing You here.

Thers a very fine Young Fellow <u>very</u> fond of Betsey, and I think him, and Which is much more to the purpose, Im perswaded, <u>You'd thin'k him</u>, very Clever. I dare not say more, but that some Appearances, and I hope you'l come down, and see the last hand put to it after all. I

[no signature]

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mr Lunan 10th Nov 1762.
Received the 23^{d} at Bedford

(November 11, 1762)

CAPT. GAVIN COCHRANE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 428, A. L. S.]

[New York, Nov. 11, 1762.]

Dear Sir

I [. . . . .]
[. . . . .]
[. . . . .]
who takes care of me [. . . . .]
that in About two months time it will [be possible . . . to]
perform An Operation [. . . . . I Should remain . . .]
that [. . . . .] but [. . . . .]
[. . . . .]
[. . . . .]
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[. . . . .]
[. . . . .]
[. . . . .]
[. . . . .]
books with him to [. . .] to Philadelphia [. . . . .]
want of a Servant [. . . . .] more so when [. . .]
company [. . . . .] & would [. . . . .]
but on such [. . . terms As would . . .] believe [. . .]
[. . . . .]
[. . . . .]

Dear Sir
Your very Humble Servt

GAVIN COCHRANE

New York [11th Nov^{r}.] 1762

[Endorsed] Captain Cochrane Novr. 11th 1762 Received the 12th Dec^{r}.

(November 11, 1762)

GOV. JAMES HAMILTON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 430, A. L. S.]

Philadelphia Novr 11° 1762

Sir/

I have Seen, by the favour of Mr Peters, your letter to him of the 9° of October, relative to the Commission and instructions given by me to Col Burd and Mr Davenport, for negotiating with the Western Indians, the delivery of the English Prisoners still remaining among them, and which, at the late Treaty at Lancaster, they faithfully promised to deliver, forthwith, to Such persons as I should appoint to receive them at Fort Pitt.

I have also received a letter from Colonel Burd of the same import with yours to Mr Peters, to wit, that You could not permit the Commissioners to Speak to the Indians, or to make them a present in the name of this Government, without particular orders for that purpose from General Amherst; but that, if they would Consent to your delivering a Speech in the Kings name, and distributing the Presents as you in Concert with them should think proper, You would, in that Case, receive the prisoners, and afterwards deliver them over, to be disposed of as the Comissioners should think fit.

As the matter about which these Gentlemen were sent, took its rise at a Treaty held with me, within the undoubted limits of this Government, I did not imagine there could be any objection to its being concluded in my name in any of the Kings Garrisons within these limits as I conceive Fort Pitt unquestionably to be. Nevertheless as I should be extremely sorry that So desirable an Event as that of restoring the Prisoners, should be impeded a single moment for the sake of force; if General Amherst, to whom You have written upon the Subject should not think fit to dispense with it in the present Case; I must then request the favour that You will be pleased to take upon yourself the management of the affair and

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conduct it in Such manner as may be most honorable for a Province, that Seems to have taken upon itself, at an Enormous expence, the whole burthen of treating and reducing Captives for all the other Colonies none of which, so far as I Know, have given themselves the least concern about the Prisoners belonging to them. and in the doing of this I hope you will be pleased to consult with Colonel Burd who Knows my mind and is fully confided in by me.

I am perfectly satisfied that your Conduct upon this occasion hath not proceeded from any disrespect to me or to the Province, but from a persuasion that it was a duty incumbent on you by the rules of the Service, from which you were not at liberty to depart, and in which, it is highly probable that you were in the right, & that I was mistaken, for I pretend not to understand punctilios of this Kind.

I heartily thank You for your kindness in having Sent a Message to the Indians to inform them of the arrival of the Commissioners, and to hasten them in collecting the prisoners. As I hear from all hands that You intend us a visit this Winter, I shall have particular pleasure in testifying the Sense I have of your favours on this Occasion, and in assuring you that I am with very great Esteem & regard

Sir
Your most Obedient & most humble Servant

JAMES HAMILTON

Colonel Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Letter from Governor Hamilton 11th November 1762 Received the 23d at Bedford

(November 12, 1762)

CAPT. THOMAS BARNSLEY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 432, A. L. S.]

Philadelphia the 12th November 1762

Dear Sir

I hope you will think it Needless for me to Attempt to Appologize for keeping Serjt Clark two days longer than I Expected when I wrote to you from Shippensburgh as I can with great Truth say that I have done my utmost to get the Business I came about, done with the Quickest dispatch

I Arriv'd here on Saturday morning the 6th Instt and immediately waited on Mr Nelson to See what Money I could get from him his answer was he could not let me have one farthing though I told him I was Sure I had a large Ballance Coming from Mr Mortier he Still insisted he had no Money; on the York post coming in that day, I was favour'd with a Letter from Mr Mortier inclosing our Battalions Acct dated the first Inst: in which was a Ballance coming to me of £ 1626" 4" 10 Sterling Exclusive of the warrant I brought down with me. I then waited on Mr Nelson again and shew'd him the Acct but it was all to no purpose he told me he had Neither Money or Bills of Mr Mortiers in his hands and it was impossible to pay money when he had it not. when I found him So Obstinate I began to Coax him to Lend me some Money on my own Acct and with great perswasions I borrowed £ 600 which with £ 1400 I borrowed from Several Merchts here have made up £ 2000 which I send of tomorrow by Clark according to the Inclosd Acct and hopes it will Arrive in time and safe as Clark has promisd to make the greatest Dispatch possible, and when it arrives (if you think proper,) should be glad it were immediately Distributed among the Companys Viz £ 500 to Capt Cochranes Company and £ 300 to Each of the Other five, and Clark to take thier defferent Receipts, but this I Submit to your Superior Judgment.

Lieut Dow has been here for some time and tells me a very Long story about the Trouble and fatigue he has had on the Lake and Mohawk river, but he says he has already wrote to you, and waits your Commands.

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There are but very few officers here, Viz C Herring and his wife and Mr Jollans of the R: Welch. Capt Maxwell & a Quarter Master of the 15th who are come here for thier health the two last was At the Retaking of Newfoundland, by whom I was inform'd of our Friend ~~Major~~ Col. Tulliken being there Second in Command, who had the Misfortune to have his Shoulder Dislocated on thier first Landing Notwithstanding he did duty the whole time till it Surrender'd With his arm in a Sling he is Now gone to Hallifax, and C Guallyus Governour at Newfoundland; Capt John Blakery of the 27th is lately Arrivd here from the Havannah from which place there is Dismal accts of the Havvock the Clymate makes with our Troops since the Conquest, he says when he came away there was but Seven officers and four Men fit for duty in the 28th Regmt and most of the other Regmts though not so very bad they are almost in proportion, the 3d Battn R. A. have lost since the Conquest 2 Capts and 11 Subs the Capts are Wm Baillie and Bob Campbell, the latter lately purchas'd from C. Staunton; Lt Scuyler of our Regmt was killd at Newfoundland And it is Expected Wm Hay will Succeed him. Major Commandant Campbell of the 100th Regmt was tryed at Martinico for the Murder of one of his Capts the Sentence was Sent to his Majesty, since which time he has broke his Arrest and Deserted. Allan McClean is made Lt Col to Col Grahams Regmt, this unexpected promotion was occasiond as follows Col Graham found he had not interest Enough to raise his Regmt and McLean told him if he would get him Rank he would raise it for him which was agreed to, and McLeane had the Appointment of all the Vacant Commissions and had the Regmt Compleated within the Limited time. I hear Capt Cochrane is very Assiduous about Genll Amherst, and is Often Employ'd Mustering of Provincials as they Arrive at New York. I am also told he has Memorial'd the Genll for a Majority. I wish he may Succeed with all my heart. Major Gates is Arriv'd and am told he his Appointed by his Majesty Major to the 45th if that is the case what will be done with Major Walters; Paddy Erwin was Sent by Genll Amherst to Muster Provincials at Boston and on his Reporting he had done, the Genll orderd him to join his Regmt which Erwin thought So hard he askd Liberty to Sell out, which was Granted, and he has now quit the Army. The Governour Mr Allen and all your Acquaintance Enquire kindly after you and wishes very much to See you as does Mrs Barnsley & myself who am

Dear Sir
Your Most Humble & Most Obedient Servant

THOS BARNSLEY

P S I hear the two Genls at New York are not on the best of terms

(November 12, 1762)

ADAM HOOPS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 434, A. L. S.]

phild^{a} 12 Novb^{r} 1762

Der sir

I ad ye pleasher of your faufer of 26 ~~Instant~~ octb^{r} I hauf aqeted your frends hear ye Conseren you wear In By afoles Repert your acct Is Standen In my Book first as you Mench'ed to Me you hauef Credit for Sondery Bills and payments to ye amount of 2200 pounds wich was ye do send you Resfed from me and ye other Smal orders I hauf Charged you With and givf you Credet fer your Standen Bill I Will mak out acct and Delifer It as you Disier Seled op

I am
Der Sir
Your most obedent & Humbl Servent

AD^{m}. HOOPS

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mr Adam Hoops Nov 12th
Received the 23^{d} at Bedford. 1762

(November 14, 1762)

MONSIEUR BABY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 436, A. L. S.]

Monsieur

Je me serait Crüe Lhomme dü Monde Le plus ingrat Si jüt tardeé, jusqu'a cétte heur a vous remercier de toute les, a'tantion que vous ävéz Bien daignée avoir pour Moy pandand Mon céjour au fort Pitte, non Seüllement Dans Cette En d'roit Mes pandant tous Le Coür de Mon voyage, Je nai Saissée de reSantire tous Les Effait de votre bontée, part Les Bonne reCommandations ou vous Maviée a Drissée, jose Me flattée que vous aurée recüe Pour agrëable Selle que je mesuy fait Lhonneur Devous ÉCrire En partant de nouvelle york ParMettée Moy donc Monsieur deprendre La LiBertée devous offrire Mes petite SerVice Si je pouvais Estre assée heureux devous Estre hütil En quelque Chose je vous prie daitre parsuadeé que je Mettreé toujour toute Mon EnBition avous donner despreuve de La plus vive reConnaissance, qui Egallera toujour Le proffond Respee avec Lequel jay Lhonneur daitre

Monsieur

Votre tresumble Et tres
obbeissant Serviteur

A [m^to^] BABY

[Endorsed] Monsr Baby Jan^y^
by Mr Cole 14 Novr 1762.

(November 14, 1762)

[TRANSLATION]

Sir:

I should have believed myself the most ungrateful man in the world if I had up to this moment delayed to thank you for all the attention with which you have favored me during my stay at Fort Pitt. Not only in this place but also during the whole course of my journey, I have not ceased to feel the effect of your kindness through the fine recommendations which you sent me. I venture to flatter myself that you will have received agreeably the letter that I had the honor to write you on my departure from New York. Allow me then, Sir, to take the liberty to offer you my humble service. Could I be lucky enough to be of some use to you, I beg you to be convinced that I will always devote my whole ambition to prove to you my most ardent gratitude which will always equal the deep respect with which I have the honor to be,

Sir,
Your most humble and most obedient servant,

A. BABY

(November 14, 1762)

WILLIAM EIVES TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 438, A. L. S.]

Fort Pitt the 14 Novr 1762

May it please your Honour

As I was coming up to this Place I left my Mare, Gun Shott Pouch, Powder Horn, & Amunition in Care of Andrew Byerly at Bushey Run all which things he has put out of the Way or Disposed of them so as I cant get them except my Powder Horn & shott Pouch as I am now in Need of those things I am under the Necessity of applying to your Honour for Redress and I hope that you will take into Consideration the Case of

Your Humble Petitioner

WILLIAM EIVES

To His Honour Colonel Bouquet Commandant at Fort Pitt

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] William Eives his Petition 14th Novr 1762. To be lefft with the Commandg Officer to order Byerly to answer to the Charge before a Court Martial

(November 15, 1762)

LIST OF DISCHARGED MEN AT FORT PITT

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 439, D.]

the 15th Novr 1762

Discharged men

Col[l] Prevost -	Serj[t] Miller John Hull Corporal Harshow Reyneck
Col[l] Bouquet's	Michel Jackly Frederic Hoober Christopher Stulfire
Cochrane's	Abraham Long John Hiser Geo: Pismeyer Geo: Weiss
Gordon's	Corp Hen. Meyers
Ecuyer	Jacob Eninger Heckman

the 17th

Capt. Barnsley	Serjeant Shadow David Davis James Cannon John Lyndsay John Hamat Frederic Buch Philip Evers	Herman Stays P. Serj[t] Steiner Low. Rudolph

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Names of men discharged at Fort Pitt in Novr 1762

(November 15, 1762)

LIEUT. ALEXANDER BAILLIE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 440, A. L. S.]

Novr 15, 1762.

[Sir]

In the latter End of April, or sometime in May 1760 [Com-] manded at Fort Bedford] having Orders to impress Horse

Young came there, whose Horses I impressed, to Carry [provis]ions, or Forrage to Ligonier, and this post: two, or three of [. . .] Horses, this --- Young told me, were lost in that Service, [that] he had got a Certificate from Capt Mather, (who Comm[anded at] that time) for them, and apply'd to me in June last for [pay]-ment, as I had impressed the Horses; & he had never received any [pay for them] If you'll be so good to represent the Affair to [the Gene]ral: & have it Settled, you will much Oblige

Sir
Your most Ob^{t} hble Ser

A BAILLIE.

NB. Mr Slough at [Lan]caster knows the [. . .]}
Young.

(November 16, 1762)

ENSIGN JOHN CHRISTIE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 441, A. L. S.]

Prisqu'Isle 16th Novr 1762.

Sir

This day Care hear a Trader from Niagara on his Way to Detroit, by Whom I received Advice from a friend I had Wrote to Concerning What I had laid before you in my last.

He begs I Would not trouble you About purchasing as I have let so Many Oppertunitys pass me, And that of Coarse I Will be promoted very Soon, as he has reason to believe there is Vacancys to fill up at present in the regiment

But Notwithstanding, as I have troubled You in a former letter, I Shall think my Self happy Which Way you Should be pleased to determine it

I Beg you'll forgive this freedom, I am wt great esteem

Sir
Your Most Obedt Humble Servant

JOHN CHRISTIE

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Ens. Christie 16th Novr 1762 Received the 5th Febr 1763

[Addressed] To Colonel Henry Bouquet at Fort Pitt

private

(November 16, 1762)

CAPT. SIMEON ECUYER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 443, D. S.]

A List of Batteaus, Horses, Geers, &C^a at Fort Pitt

the 16th Novr 1762.

The Barge	1
Cherry Boat	1
Fishing Boat	1
Little Boats	2
Large D^o fitt for use	3
D^o Unfitt	11
D^o fitt at Venango	1
D^o D^o Fort Burd	1
D^o Old ones should be at Beever Creek	2
D^o Cutt up to mend the Others	4
Flatts for use	3
D^o old Cutt up	1
Barge Oars	10
Batteau D^o	12
Flatt D^o	11
Horses Present	11
D^o with En^s Hutchins	1
D^o Serj^t Clark	1
A Large Black horse belonging to Col^o Bouquet	1
Geers for three teems	12
Waggons	3
Carts	2
D^o us'd by Thompson ye Taner	1
D^o by Col^o Croghan	1
Hand Sleays	6

N B. There is a quantity of Old Waggons Carts, wheels &C^a and are unfitt for use.

Also a Large Boat Build at a Shallup fachion unfitt for use.

A pair of timber wheels at Shepperds Landing fitt for use, and a pair here, unfitt

S: ECUYER Captn

[Endorsed] List of Batteaus, Horses, Waggons, Geers &C^a Fort Pitt the 16th 9b^r 1762.

(November 18, 1762)

HENRY GEIGER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 444, A. L. S.]

Heydelberg the 18th Day of November 1762

Most Honourabell Colonell And Loving frieund

I Cannot fail To Take this opportunity to Send my most humble Respect to your Honour and I Wish that this fue Leins feint you in a very Good Health I bag the favour from your honour if you Would being Pleased to Take the Trubel and to Send The Said Letter to the Said John Stein he Shall be Soldier under Capitain Sheusslet Conpanie in your Batallions And if is Possible your Honour Will be So Good and to Let haven the Said John Stein his Letter Then I Desired to have a answer of the Said Letter Which Concern the Portions of his father Estat Which Lay in my hand most Honourabel Colonel if the Said John Stein Shuld be Death Then your Honour will being Pleass or his Said Capitain to Send an Certificat in Writtin to me that I Can't Show to the Orphans Court Then his muther a Lor [in law?] has Sold the Plantations And She Cannot Give a Good agreements before the Said John Stein has Give his Words from him

God Blease your honour and Preserve you always in Good Health the Lord God fullfill With all happiness and the Lord Grant you With health and wealth to Live the Lord God Strengthen you that you may vanquish and over come all your Enemies and finally after this Life you may attain Everlasting joy and felicity. Most Honourabel Colonel I Recomand me allway In your favour and I am With Grad Esteem your honours

Mos humble and obaidian Sevant

HENRY GEIGER

N B if your Honour or the Capitain of the Said Soldier John Stein Shuld Send an answer to me if the men Shuld being Death Then you Will be So Good To Send the Letter to Mr De Haas at Philadelphia

To the Honourable Henry Bouquet Esqueir

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mr Geyger 18th Novr 1762

(November 19, 1762)

THOMAS SMALLMAN: BOND

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 445, D. S.]

[Fort Pitt, Nov. 19, 1762.]

Know all Men by these Presents that I Thomas Smallman of Fort Pitt Trader am held and firmly Bound unto Col^{o} Henry Bouquet Commandant at Fort Pitt or his Successor in the full and Just Sum of Two hundred & Eighty four Pounds Pensilvania Currency to be paid to the said Henry Bouquet or his Successors, to which Payment well and Truly to be made & done I bind my Self my heirs Executors and Administrators firmly by these Presents sealed with my Soul & dated this 19 Novr 1762.

The Condition of the above Obligation is such that whereas I have received a Quantity of Skins from Mr John Bard Trader to the Amount of about two hundred Pounds Pensilvania Currency, which Skins were remitted to me by said Beard; And whereas Levy Andrew Levy has laid a claim to the same Goods by Virtue of a Debt which he Alledges this Bard Owed him & Comp^{y} to the Amount of One hundred & forty two pounds like money afs^{d} Now if the said Thomas Smallman shall and do Produce the like Quantity of Skins at or upon the beginning of February next, at which time the Said Bard will be Present to Settle his own Account, And if it Shall be adjudged those Skins are the Property Levy & Com^{y} thereupon to deliver the same that then and in such Case the above Obligation shall be Void and of none Effect otherwise to be & remain in full force & Virtue

THO^{s} SMALLMAN

Sealed & delivered in the Presence of

J: BARRANCE

(November 22, 1762)

MAJOR ALEXANDER M^c^KEE TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 446, C.]

Fort Pitt 22^d^ Nov. 1762

Copie of a Letter Received from Maj^r^ M^c^Gee

Lower Shawnesse Town Novr 8th 1762

Sir

After haveing made the Indians of this Town acquainted with the Bussiness I came upon; they have held a Council among themSelves in which their Chiefs have agreed to sett off from hence in a few days with some Prisoners they have collected and do expect to be at Fort Pitt the 24th instant they have informed me that they will not be able to take up all the Prisoners this fall as a great Numbers of their People is yet sick; but purpose carrying up these who remain early in the Spring.

The 2^d^ instant arrived here fifteen Men from the Twigtwee Country; and give me the following Intelligence.

There haveing been a private Council held last Spring by the Mingoes and the Chiefs of the Delawares it was then agreed between them to Strike the English now liveing in their Country, and in order to get all the other Nations to join them in this undertaking, they had Secretly Sent a large Belt with a bloody Hatchet over the Lakes which had now pass'd through the Several Nations Residing that way, and was lastly delivered to their Nation by some of the Principal Men of the Shawnese. But that no Nations had take hold of it but the Mingoes, Delawares, and Shawanese. As for their Nation they are determined on the contrary as as the occasion of their comming here at this time was to return the Belt and Hatchet they had receeived on that Head. This account corresponds with my instructions and thought proper to acquaint you with it

I am Sir
Your most ob: humb: Servant

ALEXANDER M^c^GEE

To Coll: Bouquet

[Endorsed] Letter from Captain Ecuyer & M^r^ M^c^Kee concerning Indians 22^d^ Novr 1762 Received at Bedford the 25th answ^d^ immediatly

[Addressed] To Henry Bouquet Esqr Collonel 1st Batt. R: A: R. On the Comunication

(November 22, 1762)

CAPT. SIMEON ECUYER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 447, A. L. S.]

[November 22, 1762.]

Reposé vous, Monsieur, Sur ma vigilancé, et activité pendant leur séjours ici je seray si bien sur mes gardes que je leur défie de me mordre, et de plus je suis determiné en cas de plus grand bruit de guerre, de faire fraiser la partie du fort qui n'est pas maçoñée, en mettant des arbres la longueur du parapet et clouer des fraises contre, cela me paroit une boñe metode en n'ebranlera pas le Fort, je seray charmé davoir vos ordres et vos avis sur ce point, coñe sur tout autre choses, j'envoye un Expres avec ordre d'aller jour et nuit pour appeller Mr Croghan, et vous délivrer celle cy

Jay l'honneur d'etre tres respectueusement
Monsieur
Votre tres humble et tres obeissant Serviteur

S: ECUYER

[TRANSLATION]

Be at ease, Sir, regarding my vigilance and activity during their stay here. I shall be so much on my guard that I defy them to attack me; and, besides, I am determined in case of more definite rumor of war to have a fraise built for the part of the fort which is not in masonry, by laying some trees the length of the parapet and nailing pointed stakes against them. This seems to me a good idea and will not disturb the fort. I will be delighted to receive your orders and advice on this point, as well as on anything else. I sent an express with orders to travel day and night in order to summon Mr. Croghan and to give you this.

I have the honor to be very respectfully,
Sir,
Your most humble and most obedient servant,

S: ECUYER

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* This seems to be only part of a letter, probably enclosed with the copy of the letter at f. 446. From the use of the word "their" in line 2, it doubtless refers to Indian visitors.

(November 23, 1762)

WILLIAM HARRIS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 448, A. L. S.]

Detroit the 23d of November, 1762

Honoured Sir

I am Extremely Sorry to find that I am so unfortunate as To be Entirely forgot by you, notwithstanding your Extreme Liberality of promises to the Contrary, if a soldier, had ever any Thing to Expect from the promises of his Colonel, Certainly I Had great Reason to Expect my Dismission from the Rigement Long before this time, it has always been my simple opinion that a Gentleman haveing true notions of honour, would by no means Brake his promise, as in so doing he not only forfeits his honour but Greatly Dissapoints the poor person depending thereon, it is a great Missfortune to poor soldiers that Gentlemen of good Rank in the Army will Derogate so much as to make an hundred fair promises Without the least intention of Ever performing one of them.

I have been abused with the false promises of Officers from the Begining of July in the year 1760 untill this present time, and now I have no more prospect of being Discharged than if I had but newly Inlisted, the hardship, and fatigue that a soldier is oblidged to go through at these Back posts together with the Ill treatment they receive from their officers, is sufficient to make them hate the service For my part I, have been Reduced from a Serjeant to a private Centinel, the Reason was because I obeyed my Commanding Officer's Orders, and did the utmost of my power for the good of the service and Because I was not so Extremely timid as Ensn Schlosser and for not Immediately Complying with his Caprice: I would have Gone from The Regiment long before this time without any hesitation had I not always Expected the performance of your promise. I was likewise Convinced that if I went away in that manner that several would follow my Example, Especially if I made my Escape Compleat, for Which Reason I was loath to go: I have Certainly as just a Title To my Disscharge as Serjt Steiner or as any other man in the Regiment and as I depended upon your promise I did not Expect that Any man would be Disscharged before me, my patience is

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now worn Out and I am Determined not to Rely any longer on the promises of Officers as I have been Extremely Deceived by them, however as I Have waited till this Length I shall still wait this winter as it is Now advanceing. I, Expect honored Sir that you will be pleased to Dismiss me next Spring as soon as it is possible to send to this place I shall wait impatiently untill that time and Captain Campbell With all his Retorick shall not be sufficient to Detain me any Longer. I am in no wise oblidged to the Rigement for the Least favour As it neither freed me from prison nor Bondage, I Inlisted free and Voluntary to serve four years and have been most unjustly Detained near seven I hope honored Sir that you will be pleased to Consider my Case and save me the Trouble of doing what I am very Loath to do if not I must go while I am yet alive and by that means Forsake the Country and my friends, to free myself from a second Egyptian Bondage. I am Extremely sorry that I am oblidged to be So plain with my Collonel to put him in mind of his promises But as my former petition has been in vain I intend that this Shall be my last Effort.

I am
honoured Sir
with due Respect
Your most obedient Servant

WILLIAM HARRIS

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Letter from William Harris soldier in Capt. Shlosser's Comp^y to Col^l Bouquet dated 23^d Novr 1762

[Addressed] To Henry Bouquet Esqr Colonel Commanding at Fort Pitt

(November 23, 1762)

LIEUT. JAMES MACDONALD TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 450, A. L. S.]

Detroit 23d Novr 1762.

Sir

I have taken the liberty of Inclosing you a Letter for General Amherst, which you'll please peruse, seal and forward, if you approve of the Contents thereof: It is wrote in Consequance of a Letter I received lately from Captain Schlosser, Whereby I understand that Lieut Carre has Purchased Captain Claws's Company, And in that case, As your always doing good Offices's I hope you will Recommend me for the Purchase of Capt Schlossers Company, Providing there are none else in the Battallion who may have a prior Right by Rank, and that are willing to give the sum for which Capt Schlosser agreed to Resign in favour of Lieut Carre.

I have of this date wrote Messrs Banton and Warton Merchts in Philidelphia, and Inclosed them these Letters with Directions to forward them to you, if they have the Money ready to advance for me. And as Capt Campbell has wrote you fully upon that head, Need say no more upon the Subject, but begg leave to refer to his Letter.

Three days ago some Batteaus arrived here from Niagara but brought no Latter news than we had from your quarter.

If this Country produces any thing you may want, I shall think myselfe happy to receive your Commands, and will with pleasure Execute the same.

I have the honour to be very respectfully

Sir
Your most Obedient Humble Servt

JAMES MACDONALD

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut McDonald
23d November 1762 Received the 5th Feby 1763

(November 23, 1762)

CAPT. DONALD CAMPBELL TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 452, A. L. S.]

Detroit 23d Novbr 1762

Sir

Lieut MacDonald informs me he has wrote you about the Purchase of Capt Schlossers Company. he beleives his Money is lodged at Philadelphia, if that answers and noe older Officer chooses to purchase, I beg leave to recommend him to your Protection, and that you will be pleased to mention him to the General. Mr MacDonald has behaved very well Since he has been under my command, and been very active in the Service In Serving him you ~~will~~ will very Much oblidge me

I am
Sir
with Respect
Your Most obedient humble Servant

DONALD CAMPBELL

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt. Campbell 23d Novr 1762

[Addressed] To Collonel Bouquet Commanding his Majestys forces at Fort Pitt

(November 23, 1762)

ROBERT LAKE AND J. ROBINSON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 454, C.]

[New York, Nov. 23, 1762.]

Sir

In Obedience to your Excellencys Commands, wee have perus'd an Acc^{t} of Cash pay'd by Messrs Plumstead & Franks on Account of the Crown in the Western Department of North America.

This Consists of fifteen different Accounts [mar]kt with the fifteen [first] Letters of the Alphabet, the whole amounting to £ 6221: 6 Pensilv: Currency That Markt A Consists of Payments for Waggonage & Horses that was [kept] in the Service, a Certificate appears from Capt Oury Assistant to the Dep^{y} Quar. Mas^{t} Genl that the services were done, and the Loss sustaind, Vouchers [. . .] for the [Sever]al payments, and the whole approved by General Monckton, who Commanded that department ---------- £ 497„ 0„ 7½

C Consists of payments for Carriages, Capt. Oury certifies that the Services were done, wee have Seen Vouchers for the paym^{ts} & Oury appraises the Acc^{t} ---------- 95„ 15„ 11

B Consists of Payments to Corporal Bakers Commissarys, receipts appear for the paym^{ts}, the Services Certified by Co^{ll} Bouquet who Commands at the place where they were perform'd and the Account is approved by him ---------- 182„ 2„ 2

D Consists of Paym^{ts} for Carriages [we] have seen Vouchers that pay^{ts} was made to the amount, by Messrs Plumstead & Franks agn^{ts} but it does not appear by Certificates from the Officer Command^{g} at any of the Posts, that the Services mentioned were for the use of the Crown ---------- 67„ 16„ 6

E Consists of Payments for Provinder for Cattle, receipts appears for the Payments, and it seems by the Contract, that this is a Proper charge against the Crown ---------- 59„ 11„ 10

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F Consists of an Acc^{t} exhibited by Thos Walker, for the Foddering Cattle in Virginia, Vouchers appears for the payment by Order of General Monckton - 12. [. . .] 9

G Consists of Paym^{ts} for Carriages to Fort Cumberland, [the Vouchers] appear for the Paym^{ts} & James Livingston Fort Major Co^{ll} [. . .] the Service ---------- 36 [. . .] 3

H Is for Carriages & Horses lost proof of Paym^{ts} appears, the Services are Certified & the Acc^{ts} approv'd by Col^{l} Bouquet who Comm^{ds} ---------- 298" 17" 6

I Consists of a Variety of Articles wee have seen proof that the Several Services were perform'd for the Crown, that the paym^{ts} Charged were made, Excepting in the under mention'd Instances ---- 42" 0" 5¾
Capt Schlosser lends a Waggoner £ 4, it does not appear the Crown has Credit for this on the Waggoners Acc^{t} therefore here should not be made a Charge against the Crown.

Dow, draws upon Messrs Plumstead & Franks for several Sums amount^{g} to £ 435" 0" 10¾. it appears that the Gen^{m} pay'd the Drafts but it does not appear that the Services were for the use of the Crown, from any of the Notes, that desends to particulars, and in General the Drafts are without Accounts.

There is a Charge for so much pay'd to Byers, Collecting Horses ---------- £ 22" 10"
no Appointment appears nor Authority for Paying this Sum. An order from Col^{l} Bouquet for £ 25 the paym^{ts} appears but no perticulars to make it a Charge against the Crown
There is no Receipt for an Article £ 0" 18" 9.
[Rece]ipt for £ 1" 2" 0 [. . . . .] private Affair

K Consists of Various Articles [. . . . .]
Proof of the [several] articles Charg'd, the [P . . . . . .] & the P [. . .] Certified by Col: B[ouquet . . .] at Pitsburg - - - - - - [. . . 5" 7]

L Consists of Several Ch[arges . . . . .] - - [. . . 6" 7]
have seen Vouchers [. . . . .] whole [. . . . .] articles amount^{g} [. . . . .]

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Col Bouquat Certifies the [. . . . .]
of the Salt [. . . account] Consists of Various
[. . . . . Forage & Carriages [. . .]
our, wee have seen proof that the Services were
performed, Stores deliver'd, & the Paym^ts Charg'd
have been made ---------- 331" 16" 7¾
Hides and Tallow Voucher prove the delivery ----- 73" 11" 2
for Salt 320 Bushells, the Delivery & Paym^ts
are Vouch'd ---------- 10" -

Draft from Lieut^t Dow for Carriage, the
paym^t appears but there is no Acc^t of the Nature
of the Service, nor of the perticulars. It
appears to us that Messrs Plumstead & Franks are
Intitled to Receive upon the Vouchers they have
produced, Six Thousand and Seventy Three Pounds,
Eight and & 4½ Shillings Pennsy^a Currency,
And that following Articles, are not Supported by
proper Vouchers

The Amount of Account D ----------	£ 67"	16"	6
Money lent by Capt Schlosser ----------	4"	--"	-
An Article without Receipt ----------	-"	18"	9
An Order for Money from Col Bouquat Without Acc^t	25"	15"	
Two articles without Receipts ----------	19"	7"	6
Byars, Collecting Horses ----------	22"	10"	
	140"	7"	9
Commissions ---	7		1
	147"	8"	1

The Drafts made upon Messrs Plumstead & Franks by Lieu^t [Dow] Actually pay'd by them and put to their Credit [. . . . .] to be Accountable for the Sum of £ 880..0..1¾.

We have the Honour to be
Sir your Excellency's
Most Obedient and most Humble Servants

Signed ROB^t LAKE
J. ROBINSON

A True Coppy
[. . .]

[Endorsed] New York 23 Novr 1762 Coppy of Report
first am^t -- £ 6221: 6: 6:
Deducted 147: 8: 4½
[Forward] for 6073:18: 1½
this Sum

an order [. . . . .]

(November 25, 1762)

CAPT. GEORGE CROGHAN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 456, A. N. S.]

A Memerandom fer Co.ll Bouquet No.vr 25.th 1762

S.r I am oblidg.d to give you the Truble of an Acount with ye vouchers from Detroit wh I had Nott Received when I Sent my Last acounts to ye Gineral aMounting to £ 187: 19: 6 wh has Nott been paid Nor Charg.d In any of my fer acounts wh ye plese to ⁄ Receive a Warrant fer & Inclose me.

and Likewise an Ac.tt of the pay Due to the Interpreters att other posts wh has Nott been paid wh if the Gineral Sends me a Warrant for I will Setle & pay otherwise he May order ye offisers att the Several posts to pay them.

I will be oblidg.d to you to Represent to the Gineral what Dificulty I have in paying ye Several pople Imploy.d in ye Indian Service and Requests that He may Grant me a Warrent for a Sume of Mony befere hand to Subsist them & Do the other Service wh I will Discount for Evey Year or Lodge the Money with ye Commanding offiser att Fert Pitt as I Can Nott advance Money My Self and those pople Can Nott Do without thire pay Evy Month

As to Indian Expences you May aShure ye Gineral I will Nott make any Lett ye Consequences be what itt will fer ye futer till I have his orders or yours tho I know ye Service Can Nott be Carrey.d on with Success without Some Expence to ye publick.

As to what you Menshon.d to Me of Raseing provisions att Fert Pitt fer ye Suport of that Garrison I am Senceable itt wold be of Greatt Service as Well as Strenening the garrison with those pople that wold be Imploy.d in Raseing provisions

Butt I Cant think att present itt Can be Effect.d with any Success as the Indians Seem Disapointed In thire Expections of presents as useal & apear Very Sulkey & Ill Temper.d In purtickler ye Werrers of Evey Nation wh has been allways Indulg.d by boath french & English with what Nessarys they Wanted whereever they part befere we had Taken posison of there Cuntrey by Ferts, wh att present Make them Look on his Majestys Trupas with a Jelouse Eey was it Nott fer this Suden Change in our Ginerosety to them itt wold Nott be attended with ye Last Difeculty to obtaine Liberty to plant as Much of thire Cuntry as we Wanted

Turn over

(November 25, 1762)

In ye yeer 57 Gineral Stanwix gave Me an order to purchess Some goods fer presents for ye Cherrokey Indians & Draw on ye Comisiners of pensylvania w^h I Did & the Commissioners protested my Bill I was Sue^d for ye Money and Judgen^t against me Sir William Johnson Sent the protested bill to Gineral Amhurst & he promist to Write to General Stanwix about itt plese to inquier about itt. Mr Dinny paid ye Money fer me & I am oblidg^d to pay Intrest fer itt w^h I think is very hard on Me Pray Excuse my Giveing you all this truble & Blive Me with Greatt Esteem & Regard y^r Most Humble Servant.

G: C:

[Endorsed] Geo: Croghans Memorandom For Co^l Boquet

(November 26, 1762)

LIEUT. JAMES DOW TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 458, A. L. S.]

Philad/ 26th Novem^r 1762

Dear Collonel

Mr Hoops acquainting me he was to send to Bedford, I thought it my duty to forward you the inclosed, I likewayes Send you the papers, I have at last received the cloathing Mr Donnelan aryved here some days ago, And the moment I have the pleasure of heareing from you, I shall act accordingly,

We are to have no troops from the Havannah, but the Sick, a Ship aryved here yesterday, that Says the troops are very Sickly, and not above 700 fitt for duty, Lord Albemarle to remain their for furder orders,

I am afraid it will not be in my power to get the Shott Sent up, But I Shall bring some pouder with me, If I can doe anything here for you or any of the Gentlemen, I shall always thinck it my duty to obey them I am with great respect My Dr Coll

Your very mucth obliged
Your most obe. & H: Servt

JAMES DOW

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut^t Dow 26th Novr 1762
Received the 12th December

[Addressed] Collonel Bouquet

(November 28, 1762)

CAPT. SIMEON ECUYER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 460, A. L. S.]

Fort Pitt, 28th Nov: 1762

Monseigneur honore Colonel.

Je vous envoye les Rations Suivant vos Ordres. Nos prisoñiers ne Sont pas encore arrives. Puis que Mr Croghan que nous attendons Sous Il a passé [avec un] party de 18 Mohaks Comandes [avec] le fameux Silver [. . .] Même a la Guerre contre les [indiens] qui sont dans les interets [Espagnols,] ils sont munis dun Passeport de Sir Wm Johnson; je leur ay fait donner 9 # de poudre, & 18 de plomb des provisions et réparer leur armes.

Le prisonier Indien, s'est sauvé le lendemain de votre départ, et [voici comment] a quatre heure du matin il demanda d'aller aux lieux, le Sergent, et Corporal doumoyent et un homme de la garde fut avec lui il manquoit une planche par où le prisonier passa et sauta la palissade [. . .] à été casse pour un mois, et la Sentinelle Condanne avec [. . .] 500. Coups.

[. . . . .] vous priant d'envoyer [. . .] la Province, [. . .] s'en pour etre payoz et Licenciés, a quoy j'ai repondus, que je ne pouvois rien faire sans vos Ordres ou ceux du General en Chef et que par consequent [je me vis] de vous ecrire a Philadelphia Ou vous éties. J'ay [. . .] reçû une autre lettre [le 28 Novre datee du Fort Cumand . . .] a arrêté une [. . . . .] Marks [. . .] et continuer de repoursuivre [. . .] il dit aussi [. . . . .] ont les pieds entres mauvais état. Quand au reste il y a ici le meme train, et la machine le même mouvement que vous lui aves donné

J'ay l'honeur détre tres parfaitement et respectueusement

Monsieur,
Votre tres humble et tres obeissant Serviteur

S: ECUYER

[Endorsed] Capitaine Ecuyer 28th Novr 1762 Received at Lancaster

(November 28, 1762)

[TRANSLATION]

Fort Pitt, Nov. 28, 1762.

Sir, honored Colonel:

I am sending you the rations according to your orders. Our prisoners have not yet arrived. Since Mr. Croghan whom we are expecting, there has passed a party of 18 Mohawks under the command of the famous Silver [. . . . .], likewise in the war against the Indians who are allied with the Spaniards. They are provided with a passport from Sir William Johnson. I had them given 9 pounds of powder, 18 pounds of lead, and some provisions, and had their arms repaired.

The Indian prisoner escaped the day after your departure and [this is how he did it.] At four o'clock in the morning he asked to go out. The sergeant and corporal [. . .] and a man from the guard went with him. A board was missing, the prisoner passed through the opening, and leaped the palisade. [. . . . .] has been broken for a month, and the sentry was sentenced with [. . . . .] 500 lashes.

[. . . . .] begging you to send [. . . . .] the province [. . .] in order to be paid and disbanded, to which I answered that I could do nothing without your orders or those of the general in chief and that consequently [I decided] to write you at Philadelphia where you are. I have [. . . . .] received another letter [November 28 dated from Fort Cumberland . . .] have detained a [. . . . . .] Marks [. . . . .] and to continue to proceed again [. . . . .] He also said [. . . . .] their feet are in very poor condition. As to the rest, all is in the same condition here and the organization follows the same routine which you gave it.

I have the honor to be very completely and respectfully,
Sir,
Your most humble and most obedient servant,

S. ECUYER

(November 28, 1762)

LIEUT. EDWARD JENKINS TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 462, A. L. S.]

Quiatanon November the 28th 1762

Honoured Sir

I should have done myself the Honour of writing to you long ago, but I have been so ill of the Fever and Ague, That I have not been able to put Pen to Paper these three Months past; and now I am broke out all over with red spots about the size of an English sixpence, which itch so that I have scratched my Back 'till it is fester'd to that Degree that I can hardly move; in short I am almost become foolish, and nothing keeps me alive but the Hopes of being relieved in the Spring, for nothing could give me greater pleasure than to be once more with you and the rest of my Friends at Fort Pitt: and as I am sensible (from your former kindness) you'll do all in your Power to serve me, therefore I shall make myself as easy as possible for one in my present Situation.

I bought a spanish Mare last Summer which I intended to have sent you long ago; but Mr McDonald acquainted me she was quite Poor, and not worth the Money I gave for her, therefore I did not think it worth while to send her; but as I have desir'd Mr Winston (who understands more about Horses than Mr McDonald) to take her under his Care, I dare say he will get her in good Order against Spring and I dare say (at least hope) she will please you, for I have not seen a more beautiful Beast in America.

I have done all in my Power to get a Beaver blanket and some other Indian Curiosities for you, but all in Vain, for the Indians here cant work neat: I gave three to be painted by which I lost as many Pounds, for they were so badly done that I was glad to get the Value of the Beaver.

If Pakan-Nuts are worth sending be kind enough to let me know, and if I am not to be relieved I'll send them the first Opportunity. As I have no News-nor nor nothing more to say, but that my Happiness entirely depends upon your Goodness, I shall only wish you a merry Christmas and a happy New-year, and remain, honour'd Sir,

Your much obliged, and most obedient humble Servant

EDWd JENKINS.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lt. Jenkins 28th Novr 1762
Received the 19th May 1763

[Addressed] To Henry Bouquet Esqr Colt of the first Battn
Royal American Regiment Commanding at Fort Pitt

(December 2, 1762)

CHRISTIAN FREDERICK POST TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 464, A. L. S.]

Duscarawa 1762 the 2 of December

wordy Sir I the list of Cris^{t} servens Beg live the trobel of this leter. I seand her som translesion in dellovar, which your Honnour desird of me ones; for couryosity, if I noud wat would pleas your Honnor the peas^{t} I would have seand it, in the mohikan tong I am more master over, & I have a great Dill mor transletet, in the same as in this tong which is in great juss, it is her quit still the indians ar all hounting, I am in gud healt & Spending my thim in the presands nearnes & comunikesion with my Bliding crusifaid Schlaterd Lam̄ of God, preing meditating thenking how it will ferder bee, Desiring God all mey thy to to dereckt me thru his blesset Sperrit how to dereckt, the cors of may laief agriabel to his holay will & pleasur; it is thru, as at presend ther is boud litel Expectaision amongs^{t} theas hear, for embrasing the glead tidings of sallfesion, Boud wad Schall I Say, Bey the laif & conversasion is werilitel ots to be sin, bettoin Christian & hidens, the first ar reder the wors^{t} if the not hed the Sivel lauw, the would be a sead gruel, & it griafs me; with Pen & Sorri my heart, to see thet the Cristian Stat is so loo, thet the mos^{t} only ~~Pl~~ moock geam & mockiry with Cristendom, & ar atigests in ther in said, the nirschis of God all myty is Exciding gret & verberian. it sines that the world rons at an and & sicks to fulfill ther destruckschen I pree God all miti to grend wisdon paur & greas to all in autority, to ackt ounder Crist agriabel to his holy will & plesur. May hart is in Love with you & wishes you all hepenes thet is restord for all Hidy sinners in Crist Jusus I remen in the love of Crist sir your most houmpel & obedian Servend

CHRISTIAN FRIDRICK POST

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mr. Fred Post 2^{d} December 1762

[Addressed] To Coll Hendrey Bouquet Esqu^{r} Comanding at Fort Pitt

(December 5, 1762)

COL. WILLIAM AMHERST TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 466, A. L. S.]

New York Decr 5th 1762

Sir!

The General directs me to acquaint you that a Mattross of the Royal Artillery, at the Detroit, has got a Commission in the Army in England, & that you will therefore send a Mattross from your Garrison, to the Detroit, to releive him. The man you send will take with him the enclosed letter for the Commanding Officer at the Detroit.

I am
Sir
Your most obedt humble Servt

WM AMHERST

To The Officer Commandg at Fort Pitt.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Coll Amherst
December 5th 1762 Received the 12th at Philada

(December 7, 1762)

DR. JAMES STEVENSON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 468, A. L. S.]

[Niagara, Dec. 7, 1762.]

Sir,

It will give me pleasure to hear that you are quite recover'd from the bad effects of that unlucky accident which happen'd to Capt. Ourry & you, which I make no doubt of, as those who are accustomed to temperance & exercise soonest get the better of these misfortunes.

Our men still continue healthy; We have not lost by sickness any men for upwards of fourteen or fifteen months, but I am afraid we shall suffer this spring as we have very little Rum in the Garrison & a proper quantity is necessary to prevent the Scurvy, especially if the Spruce beer is not made with the due proportion of Spruce & Molasses.

It is customary for the Surgeons of Regiments to have a Chest of medicines sent out every year with the cloathing of the Regiment. The Surgeon applys to the Commanding officer of the Regiment, & as I have the Honour to be under your Command, I beg you will be so good as mention to Col: Prevost, that the Apothecary General will send out a Chest, upon Col: Prevosts ordering the Agent of the Regiment to apply for it to the Apothecary General, My ignorance of the method of applying for this chest of medicines, (which we have a right to every year during the war) has prevented my having it I am sorry I have been obliged, Sir, to give you this trouble, but sensible how ready you are to oblige any of us I shall make no more apologies; This has been a long & disagreable seperation to me, I am here now with only two companies of the Batallion, but as I am quite convinced that you will relieve me as soon as you can, I shall say no more, but that I am, with great esteem & respect

Sir,
Your most obedient humble Servant

JAMES STEVENSON

Niagara Decr 7th 1762

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Letter from Dr Stevenson Niagara 7th December 1762 Received 3^{d} Jany 1763 answ^{d} same day

(December 8, 1762)

FRANCIS WEST TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 470, A. L. S.]

Carlisle December the 8th 1762

Sir

About the Begining of March last, I had the ill Luck to Sell on Credit to a certain Andrew Reed Ninety five Gallons of Rum which amounted to twenty two Pounds Nine shilling and three Pence; which wth more of his own he Carried to Fort-Pitt and which as I afterwards learn't was siezed on by order, of the Commanding Officer for being transported there for Sale contrary to General Arhersts orders; which Orders I was ignorant of till after the Rum was taken away from here. As Reed has ran off ~~from here~~ without paying me -- I have now to request if in your Power that yw will give out of his whole Cargo the Sum he owes me: and I flatter my Self with Success since it is very well known I have done as much for the Kings army and Service as any private Man in this Province and besides I do assure yw that this is the first Request on my own Account I ever asked of any Officer

I am Sir
With greatest Respect
Your Most Hble & obedt Servant

FRAS WEST

[Endorsed] Mr West 8th December 1762

[Addressed] To Col: Henery Bouquet Esquire in Philadelphia.

(December 9, 1762)

ISAAC RICHARDSON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 472, A. N. S.]

[December 9, 1762.]

This is to Certify that the Berrer Mr. Thomas Henderson, by virtue of an Order from Mr. Edward Shippen, was at Great Trouble in Collecting waggons from Several Townships in the County for the Service of ye Kings Troops to the Westward, for upwards of two months; that the immediate nessecity there then was for Carriageis oblige'd the sending of them off as fast as they cou'd be raised, by which means, he was always rendered unable to get together a Brigade, for his going with himsilf; and for the more speady Raising the waggons, he was ordered as the service required, from one District to another, till there was no further service for him.

Givin under my Hand this Ninth day of December 1762

ISAAC. RICHARDSON

To Colonel Henry Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Certificate of Isaac Richardson for [Thom] Henderson -- Waggon Master

(December 10, 1762)

CAPT. GEORGE CROGHAN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 473, A. L. S.]

Fort Pitt Der 10th 1762

Sr

Mr Mckee is Returnd & Some Cheeffs of the Shaunas are on thire Way heer with Some prisners & hourly Expected heere Mr Mckee is of opinion that the Shaunas will Deliver up all they have Next Spring he has A Much Betar opinion of them then ye Dallaways

Sence you Left this I have had an opertunity of Spakeing with Several prenseple Warrers of the Sinicas Dallaways & Shaunas all wh Made No Scruple of Confesing ye belt Henshond In Mr Mckees Intilagence & Say that its ye Belt Given to the Waweaughtannas Last Spring by ye french offiser att ye Elinoies: they Say they Never Intended to make Warr on ye English Butt Say its full time for them to prepair to Defend themselves & thire Cuntry from us who they are

(December 10, 1762)

Convens.d Designe to make Warr on them. they Say if we Did Nott Intend that we Wold Nott prohibitt ye Sale of as much powder & Lead as wold Suply them to hunt with nor Refuse thire Warrers powder & Lead & other Nesesarys to Carey on ye Warr against ye Southren Indians thire Natural Enemys which has been an old Custom with boath English & French they Saem perswaded that as Soon as we gett our prisners from them that we will Make Warr on them wh Is Natueral aNouff as they are a pople who Neaver Fergett Nor fergive they think we will act on the Same prenseples & this I blive is ye Rason they have Detaind what prisners they have of ours So Long

Itt is Cartian that ye Dallaways have Received a Belt from ye Indians on Susquehanna & Sence that has ordred all thire Warrers to Stay Near there Towns to hunt this Winter and apeers More Sulky then usul to the Treaders Resideing Amungst them

its Lucky that those Indians & ye Indians over ye Lackes are Nott upon good Terms with Each other att present how ever if any of them Should brake with us itt must End in a Gineral Indian Warr with us ye Indians are a very Jelous pople Rash & Inconsideratt & Never Consider Consequences tho itt must End in there Ruen thire Expectations was Greatt from us & thire Poverty & Nesserray Disposion will nott Sufer them to Beer a Desapointment of that kind. they Interprett the Ginirals Frugality in Lesing ye Expence of presents In a Designe of Revenging what has past being Couriouess they Deserve to be punished how itt May End ye Lord knows Butt I aShure you I am of opinion itt will Nott be Long before we Shall have Some Croyles with them I have Made use of all ye arguments I was Master of & usec all ye Influence I had to perswade them that thire Jelouses & Suspisions of us are Rong & ill grounded Butt itt has Nott Made that Impression on there Minds wl I Could Wish, there has been a Number of Six Nation Indians heer from ye Crows Town & Made Some Speechess wh Capt Ecuyer will Inclose you, there is Collected att that Town this fall two Hundred Men all Senicas I will gain all ye Information I Can of ye Designs of those Indians & transmitt you, wh you will aquaint the Gineral with I Send Mr McKee in two Days to ye Lower Shaunas to Stay ye Winter I have Wrote Sr Wm & Inclosd him Mr McKees Journal who No Doubt will Send a Copy to ye Gineral

I am Sr
With Greatt Esteem & Regard
Yr Most Humble Servt

GEO: CROGHAN

To Coll Henry Boquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Letter from Mr Croghan 10th December 1762 Received the 9th January 1763 communicated to the General answered the 22d Feby

(December 10, 1762)

CAPT. GEORGE CROGHAN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 475, A. L. S.]

Fort Pitt De^{r} 10th 1762

S^{r}

I Shall be Glad to Hear from you as Soon as an opertunity ofers by w^{h} I hope to hear the Cinerals Sentements with Respect to ye Expence of ye Indian Department hear as I am fully perswaded itt Can Nott be Carrey^{d} on without Some Considerable Expence with any Ease to ye Service upon knowing his Sentiments thereon I am Determin^{d} to Continue or Resigne as I Dont Chuse to be beging aternaly for Such Nesesarys as is Wanted to Carry on ye Service Nor will I Supert itt as My own Expence

I Shall think My Self very hapey in haveing Capt Ecuyer hear as Commanding offiser till I have ye plesher of Seeing you & you May Depend on itt I Shant Indeaver to perswade him to Make any Indian Expences thet itt posable to avoide till I hear from you

You was kind aNouf to tell Me if I wanted Money to Draw on you pour Co^{ll} Clapham is Indebted to Capt Basett £ 100 if you will please to pay itt & take Capt Basetts recept you will Greatly oblidge

Y^{r} Most Humble Servant

GEO: CROGHAN

To Co^{ll} Henry Boquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mr Croghan Dated 10th Dece^{r} Received 9th Jany 1763

Privet

(December 10, 1762)

CAPT. SIMEON ECUYER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 477, A. L. S.]

Fort Pitt le 10e Dec: 1762

Monsieur

Jay eus la Visite d'une troupe d'Indiens, des Six Nations, je vous envoye une Copie de leur Eloquent discours, ma réponce a été courte, point de present, mais come ils vont a la guerre au nombre de 45 je n'ay pû me dispenser de leur faire donner de la poudre et du plomb quelques Couteaux.

Je viens de recevoir le Return du Detroit avec la triste nouvelle de 6 homes Noyes revenant de Michilimakina, dont 2 de la Compe Campbell, 3 de la miène et 1 de Gordon: un coup de vent a renversé le Batteaux, en revanche le Major Gladwin a rengagé trois homes. J'écriray au Cape Campbell par la premiére occasion que vous aves ordonné que le Serjt Walters rémplace le Serjt Steiner, ce qui n'est pas encore fait; Nos captifs ne sont pas encore arrives; Tout va le même train, jay toujours quatre Deserteurs a la Garde, je souhaitterois qu'ils fussent pendus; Je dois vous dire, Monsieur, qu'apres votre départ quelques Sutlers se sont avises de vendre du Rum pur, aux Soldats, pensant qu'a votre absence ils pouvoyent tous faire; Mais ils ont été fort surpris d'entendre [———] une défence expresse de vendre pour l'avenir, a la vérité il paroit que je me donne des airs d'empecher ces honettes gens de faire ce que bon leur Semble

Voila je pense tout ce que nous avons icy, nous somes tous impatiens d'avoir de vos nouvelles particulierement moy qui ay l'honneur de me dire tres respectueusement

Monsieur
Votre tres humble & tres obeissant Serviteur

S. ECUYER.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Capt Ecuyer 10th December 1762 Received 5th FebY 1763

(December 10, 1762)

[TRANSLATION]

Fort Pitt, Dec. 10, 1762.

Sir:

I have had a visit from a band of Indians from the Six Nations. I am sending you a copy of their eloquent speech. My answer was very short, no present, but as 45 are going to war I could not help but give them some powder, lead and a few knives.

I just received the report from Detroit with the sad news of 6 men drowned, returning from Michilimackinac. Two of them were from Campbell's company, 3 from mine and 1 from Gordon's; a gust of wind upset the bateau; to make up for this loss Major Gladwin re-engaged three men. At the first opportunity, I shall write to Captain Campbell that you have ordered that Sergeant Walters replace Sergeant Steiner, which has not yet been done. Our prisoners have not yet arrived; everything is going as usual. I still have 4 deserters in the guard house. I wish that they were already hung. I must tell you, Sir, that after your departure, some sutlers decided to sell undiluted rum to the soldiers, thinking that during your absence they could do anything. But they have been much surprised to hear [-.-.-.-.-] a positive prohibition of selling in the future. To tell the truth, it seems that I give myself airs to prevent these honest people from doing what seems good to them.

I think that is all we have here. We are all very impatient to hear from you, especially myself, who have the honor to call myself, very respectfully,

Sir,
Your most humble and most obedient servant,

S. ECUYER

(December 30, 1762)

JOHN ORMSBY TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 479, A. L. S.]

[Fort Pitt, Dec. 30, 1762.]

Sir

Nothing Material has Occured here Since you left us. There is a rumour prevailing that the Indians intend to renew their old Trade in our neighborhood Soon, but as we all flatter ourselves with hopes of seeing a Strong re-inforcement here early next Spring, hope they will come time enough to Strike Terror into those Infernal Blood-hounds.

Capt.n Ecuyer our Comn. is a humane worthy Gent., he uses all with humanity & Politeness, but will have Dicipline Strictly Observed.

There Are Severals craveing for Money here and at the Out posts for Account of the Crown, which you know Sir, I can not answer without Orders from the Contractors, and as this will probably come to hand at head-quarters, hope you will Settle that Point with the General

I beg pardon for this Freedom which I wou'd not presume were it not for the above pressing Occasion

I am with the highest Respect
Sir
Your most Obed.t humble Serv.t

JOHN ORMSBY

Pitt Dec.r the 30.th 1762

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M.r Ormsby 30.th December 1762 Received 5.th Feb.y

[Addressed] To The Honble Col.o Henry Bouquet at New York

(1762)

FIRST BATTALION:

[B. M., Add. MSS.

List of the Men discharged by Major Gladwin
American Regiment & the Men

The decharged Mens Names	of what Companys
Henry Johnas - - -	Majors
Henry Wedge - - -	dº - - - - - - -
George Torrell - - -	Cochrans
Charles Broocks - - -	Schlossers
Adam Robeson - - -	dº & formerly of Etheringtons
Jacob Schnorrenberger -	dº
Caspar Bock - - -	dº - - - - ✓
John McCanne - - -	dº
James Lee - - -	dº - - - - -
Adam Horn - - -	dº - - - - -
Peter Hartman - - -	Etheringtons
James Brown - - -	dº - - - - ✓
Corp: Mathew Fonner - - -	dº - - - - -
Serjt: Wm Brock - - -	dº - - - - - ✓
Mathew Smith - - -	dº - - - - -
Samuel Davis	dº

NB The County Money & other Expences have been payd by the men

The men who equaly had finished their time had no money the men marckt are in Major Walters list

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] List of the Men discharged

(1762)

LIST OF DISCHARGES

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belonging to the 1st Battalion of the Royl
by whom they were replaced.

For what Reason	The replaced Mens Names	for what time they are inlisted
His time being Expeired - -	Peter Vansants	3 years or for the War
he was a Negro & is Since deserted	David Wright	for the War
uncurably lame & unfit for Service	La Rose Runo	Life
he was So Sickly that he never was aible to do Service	James Adis	3 years or for War
being a Steling fellow & charged with too much familly	Michel Fullar	Life
Terme of Service expired	John Johns	3 years or for War
- - - dº - - - -	John Demaret	dº
Continually Sick & unfit for Service	John Charloy	for War
is a broke Corporal a very bad Man & a bad trinker	Stephen McGinness	Life
Terme of Service Expired	Rubin Mastico	Life
Terme of Service expired	Zeeness Bonnom	four years
allweis Sickly & charged with family	Christian Cochran	for War
his time expired - - - -	Philip Mobbs	dº
- - - dº - - - -	George Wever	dº
Sickly & unfit for Service	James Burrel	dº
his time nearly expired & having too large a family	Cornelis Bennet	3 years or for War

wo replaced them in their Room, also to no charge to the Regiment.

to Inlist other Men & they expected their Discharge gratis.
of the Men who had claim to their Discharge.

at Niagara & Exchanged by Capt Shlosser in 1762

(February 24, 1763)

JAMES PITCHER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 43, A. L. S.]

[New York, Feb. 24, 1763.]

Dear Sir

It was great pleasure to me, to hear by M. Van Hulst, (who call'd on me this morning) that you was well; my wishes are for your continuing so as it is the greatest blessing we can enjoy on this side the Grave. As to myself I have had Rhumatick disorders flying about me, which I apprehend would not be so bad, if we had any Weather that was proper, to take a little exercise on Horse back, to work it off; for what is so an effectual cure to my friend Basset will not do with me and if the weather was tollerable I dont know but I should even make an excursion to Philadelphia.

Nothing has come in from England since you left Us, but yesterday a Ship from Ireland, that has been out sixteen weeks, loaded chiefly with Butter.

They have a talk here, that we are to have ten thousand men kept up in America, but how they have got it I cannot find out, and am ap't to believe it's their own conjectures. a little time will discover that

I wish we had any thing new to entertain you. as we have not, I must bid adieu, with my Ardent wishes for your welfare and am

Dear Sir
Your most Obedient Humble Servant.

JA PITCHER

Col.° Bouquet.

New York 24.th Feb.ry 1763

P: S Please my Compliments to all the Gentlemen with you, whom I wish you may be able to keep within Bounds as the Spring advances./

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mr Pitcher 24.th Feby 1763

(August 30, 1763)

BAYNTON AND WHARTON TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 343, A. L. S.]

[Philadelphia, Aug. 30, 1763.]

Sir

The last Vessel from Newfoundland, brought us under Cover, the inclos'd letter; Which We embrace this opportunity, of transmitting to you, and of very cordialy congratulating you, an your happy and critical Arrival at fort Pitt. An Event! most anxiously wish'd for, and as gratefully, and universaly applauded; Not merely, for it's glorious, and important Effects -- That are big, with the happiest Consequences, to these Provinces But for the great assiduity, & Martial Conduct, which you so conspicuously evinc'd, thro' a very painfull, extensive, and hazardous March.

God Grant, That the severe, and unsimilar chastisement, which You have given those Savages, who attack'd You May be a Lesson, indelibly impress'd on Them and that They may soon, from Thence, be incited to propose, such Overtures of Condescension, As injur'd Britons can recieve

Nothing entertaining has appear'd in the literary World, since your Departure from hence When there does, We shall do Ourselves the Pleasure, of forwarding Them to you, and shall at all Times esteem it an Honour, to be favored with Your Commands. Being Sir with the greatest Regard.

Your most Oblig'd & most obed.^{t} hum.^{bl} Servants

BAYNTON & WHARTON

Philad.^{a} August 30th 1763

Colonel Bouquet at Fort Pitt.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Baynton & Wharton August ye 30th

(no date)

WILLIAM SOMMERFIELD: MEMORANDUM

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 481, N.]

[no date]

Acc^{t} of Things belonging to Wm Summerfield

5 Shirts -- 2 p^{r} of Stockings 8 Stocks 1 New Black Callamanco petty-Coat Quilted 2 New Gowns 2 plain Gold rings And 2 New [Sheefts] 2 White Aprons

To Cash £ 5. 7. 6. Left in the Box Severall things that I realy Cant Mention If In Case I Should not return the Cash and the Above-mentioned Necessarys to be Dilivered to Lt Bentick of Lt Col^{o} Boquets Compy Left with Mr Chapman Baker in Carlile and one Dubloon: and one English half Crown which the Said Mr Chapman is to Diliver to Lt Bentick

his
WILLIAM + SOMMERFIELD
marck

[Endorsed] A note about goods belonging to Willm Sommerfield Sold^{r}

(no date)

LIST OF NAMES

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 485, N.]

[no date]

Mens Names who served in the Maryland Troops and were inlisted in the 1st Batt^{n} R. A. R.

- Serj^{t} Nowell.
- William Rynard.
- John Thomson, Dead
- Joseph Jones, -- Drum Major Maryland Service
- John Regan.
- Baltzer Cairn.
- John Hodges, Discharged
- William Campbell.
- John Graves, Dead

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Mens Names who were inlisted in the R. A. R. from the Maryland Service

(no date)

ALEXANDER LUNAN TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 483, A. L. S.]

[no date]

I would not have You think their much in this; But I can't help saying something of Your favours &c, and if this Gentleman's [Justications] lead him that way I think he deserves her -- Which is more than I could say of her Last [suiter] the H^n. Colonell.

Your Letters for Carolina, are both gone tho the last of the two, but this day. I hope this will Meet You on the way. So that I shal not add but to tell you that Col^l. Byrd & Lady & the Col^o. have been gone some weeks, and that all your friends here are well.

I remain with great Esteem,

My Dear Col^l.

Your most obed. and very humble Servt.

ALEX^r. LUNAN

(no date)

DAVID FRANKS: MEMORANDUM

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 486, N.]

[no date]

Memorand^m. For M^r. Franks to Col^l. Henery Bouquet Esqr.

1st. The Often Removeing Flour from Store to Store does Occasion very great Weast and a great Loss must also have ensued from the Flood, hope it Will be taken into Consideration and Allowances made.

Please to give ye proper directions for the Examination of the Stores at Ligoneer, Bedford, Littleton & Carlisle &c^a.

What Number of Hogs will be wanted for this and the Other Posts & if Any Cattle for Ligoneer & Bedford or if any more Salt is wanted for this And Other Posts.

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] M^r. D. Franks Memorandum

(October 12, 1761)

LIEUT. GEORGE DEMLER TO COL. HENRY BOUQUET

[B. M., Add. MSS. 21648, f. 396, A. L. S.]

[Niagara, Oct. 12, 1761.]

Sir

Major Walters here Some time ago accquainted me, that his Excellency Genr.l Amherst has been pleased, to appoint me a Lieutenant, in the 1.th Battallion. Roy.l Am.n Regim.t

I would therefore not omit, by this as the first opportunite, to acknowledge to you, of the Due Sense I have, of the honour done to me by his Excellency in promoting and transferring me into a Battalion, Comanded by a Gentlemen of your Character, and merrit, and shall allways endeavor by, every opportunite I have, to recomend my Selfs to your faveur,

and have the honour to be

Sir
Your most obedient humble Servant

GEO: DEMLER

Niagara 12.th of Octobr 1761.

To Col.l Bouquet

[Endorsed in Col. Bouquet's handwriting] Lieut.t Demler Oct.r 12.th 1761 Answ.d the 18th May 1762

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